THE WEATHER.

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FEDERAL OFFICERS PLAN A BIG RAID

Prepared to Swoop Down on 26 Branches of Capital Investment Company.

A GET-RICH-QUICK CONCERN

Big Company Does Business of More Than $10,000,000 Annually—Main Offices Already Raided. Features.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Federal agents tonight prepared to swoop down early tomorrow upon 26 branches of the Capital Investment Company, scattered through eight Middle Western States.

Following sensational raids on the main office and four branches of this company in Chicago and branches in Joliet and Aurora, Ill., today, this round up will mark one of the most extensive movements in the history of the government's war against alleged get-rich-quick concerns.

According to agents of the Department of Justice, the Capital Investment Company controlled 5,000 miles of leased wires to supply these branches with news of the New York stock market and was doing a business of more than $10,000,000 annually. It is said that on one ten point break in the market, the concern netted $600,000 in a single day.

The government alleges that the firm dealt with its customers on a basis of "heads I win, tails you lose."

In this connection Federal agents say that the company controlled two fast New York wires, which were beating the "ticker" with regular market quotations, by from three to five minutes. With this advance information the men in charge of the company's office would decide if orders would be filled. The government charges the concern bought no stocks outright, but took a commission on all ends and then played the "long" against the "shorts."

Although operated at a loss six months in the year, because of its extended service to its many branches of the concern, its said to be a big payer at the end of the year. It has recently been dealing heavily in cotton.

This concern is a successor to the Hammond Elevator Company, which did a big bucket shop business for a number of years.

Among the warrants that have been served in connection with the case are those of Sidmon McHie, William Holligan, of New York, and William J. Lloyd, district traffic manager for the Western Union Telegraph Company, in Chicago. It is expected that 17 more arrests will be made here.

In the Federal building tonight it was said that the Capital Investment Company case would be taken before a Federal grand jury and indictments asked by the United States district attorney's office.

FATAL RIOTS IN CHICAGO.

Garment Workers' Strike Still Unsettled—Becomes Serious.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—The passing of all hope for an immediate settlement of the garment workers' strike threw many of the strikers into a frenzy of despair today and the labor war entered the most serious stage of its history. In riots which began early, one striker was shot and killed, another was probably fatally wounded, four policemen were injured, and another striker was badly hurt.

The strikers were shot by the police during a riot in which the garment workers had attacked the blue coats with "black jacks" of their own construction—heavy pieces of lead, through holes in which leather thongs had been passed and made fast. The rioting was precipitated when Annie Nevjacek, a strike breaker, slapped a picket who had seized her. Private detectives interfered, the policemen went to their assistance and the rioting became general. Only one arrest was made, Stanislaus Bricks, identified as one of the men who began the fighting, being taken.

As a result of the riot, every available policeman in Chicago has been ordered on reserve duty to be prepared to rush into the strike district.

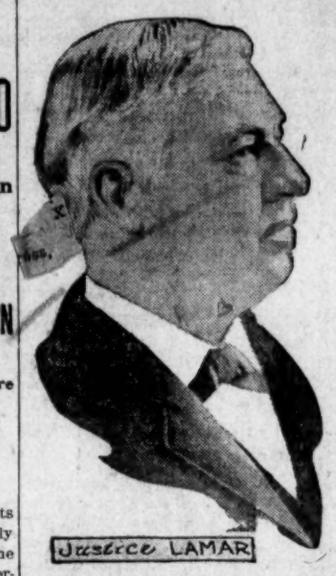
Another effort to devise a means of effecting a settlement was begun by the city council committee, headed by the mayor, and a long conference was held late today with representatives of the Chicago Federation of Labor and the clothing manufacturers. The result of the conference was not made public, but all sides agreed an immediate settlement was unlikely.

The cold weather of last week also has added to the seriousness of the situation, many of the former workers being without fuel for their families.

MAJOR HANSON IS DEAD.

President of Central of Georgia Passes Away.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 15.—Major John F. Hanson, president of the Central of Georgia Railroad, and one of the best known railroad officials in the South, died here early today of heart failure. Major Hanson was born in Monroe county, Georgia, November 25th, 1840. The body will be taken to the Hanson home at Macon, Ga., tomorrow, but the funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.



Judge Joseph Lamar, of Georgia, whose appointment as associate justice United States Supreme Court was confirmed by Senate yesterday.

WITH THE BASEBALL MAGNETS

Proposed Purchasers of St. Louis American League Club Known—Busy Sessions in New York—Changes are Made.

New York, Dec. 15.—"Ben" Adkins, water commissioner of St. Louis, Mark Ewing, and his brother, composing the St. Louis stock brokerage firm of Ewing Brothers and Messrs. Hall and Hodgden prominently identified with St. Louis interests, are the principals in the syndicate which will probably purchase the controlling interest in the St. Louis American League Baseball Club from Rabert Lee Hedges. Adkins engineered the deal and it was through him that the offer was made to Hedges.

A special committee representing the American League will go to St. Louis within a week to ascertain standing of the new candidates for mebership financially and otherwise. If it is satisfactory Hedges will be authorized to sell and the new owners will be taken into full fellowship of the league.

Incidental to the probable change in the ownership it was said at the annual meeting of the league that Fielder Jones would become the manager of the club.

Jones is now operating a fruit farm in Oregon and last year refused to play for Chicago because the money offered was not sufficient. Hedges said today that the syndicate which probably will take over his holdings proposed to put in a winning team—that is, a first division team—at any cost.

It is understood there that Hedges values his American League franchise at a quarter of a million dollars and his grounds, "plant" etc., at enough more to bring the total consideration to a little more than $500,000.

The American League finished its business promptly today and dispersed, but the National League meeting will continue tomorrow.

The purchase of the Boston Nationals will probably be consummated by Saturday.

The National League today decided to call all umpires into New York to have their eyes examined.

President Charles H. Ebbottes, of Brooklyn, who has been the most active member of the schedule comittee for many years, lost that distinction today. The league appointed President Thomas J. Lynch of the League, President Barney Dreyfuss, of Pittsburg, and Secretary and Treasurer John A. Heidler, of the League, as the schedule committee. They will meet with President Johnson, of the American League late in January, and arrange the schedule fo the two leagues.

President Garry Herrman, of Cincinnati, we re-endorsed for chairman of the National committee. The National committee at its final session today made its decisions:

Reinstatement refused to Player Doescher who jumped his contract with Cincinnati and who was twice reinstated after jumping from Brooklyn.

Andy Coakley was informed that the commission would decide his case against the Chicago Nationals if he would withdraw his case from the courts. He refused.

In the cases of Elmira, which tried to keep the Philadelphia Americans from drafting O'Neill; and Jacksonville, which tried to keep Pittsburg from drafting Player Smith, the original drafts were certified.

O'Neill goes to Philadelphia and Smith to Pittsburg and the draft money goes to the fund of the National Association instead of to Elmira and Jacksonville.

St. Louis Americans must pay salary to Catcher Crisp for the time he was absent while injured. The commission will meet in Cincinnati on January 3rd.

Willie Keeler, the crack out-fielder, recently secured by the Nationals of New York, from the New York Americans was sold today to the Toronto club for the Eastern League.

Scranton traded Infielder Waldron to Chattanooga for Outfielder Taffe.

SENATE IS GIVEN A BIG SURPRISE

Iowa Member in Maiden Speech Made Attack on Senator Cummins.

CALLS THE SENATORS "BOYS"

Declared That Legislation is a Menance at Times—Is Against Peace-Meal Revision—Featured the Discussion.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Senator LaFayette Young, of Iowa, today gave the legislative body, which he has been a member exactly ten days, the surprise of its existence. He had prepared to make an attack on his colleague, Senator Cummins, who seeks passage of a concurrent resolution changing the rules of the Senate and House so as to permit piecemeal revision of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law. This he did, and more. Doffing his toga, when he arose, he lectured the grave and dignified senators from the standpoint of an editor, which he is in private life.

The Senate gasped and then laughed when Mr. Young told it that the country would feel relieved were Congress to adjourn altogether for two "solid" years, declaring that "legislation is a menace at times."

"Let us have a cessation of hostilities. This is the only way to insure a new era of prosperity." It gasped again when he alluded to its members in breezy fashion as "boys," and when he declared that the editors of the country and not Congress, ruled the country, the galleries joined with Senators in general hilarity.

Senator Young's speech commanded the strictest attention. The senator warmed up as he proceeded, and apparently realizing that it might be at once his salulatory and his swan song, he spoke his real thoughts on legislation and on the National legislature.

His reference to editors and printers ink as the real directors of the destiny of the Nation was followed by disavowal of an intention to offend. When he called his colleagues "boys" he accompanied it with a wave of his hand. This incident followed a story of how, just as he was about to take the train for Washington and the Senate, a constitutent "buttoned-holed" him.

"Go down there senator" said the constitutent "and for Heaven's sake, put up a fight for the consumer."

"I will not," Mr. Young said he replied. "Those boys there are doing that. I am going to fight for the producer."

Mr. Young opposed all efforts at revision of the existing tariff law because, as he contended, the law protects the interests of the farmer. He had great fear, he said, that ultimately the adoption of the resolution would prove injurious to the great agricultural interests.

"The principal complaint against the tariff as regards prices," he said, "has had reference to the products of the farm. My colleague would take away from himself and myself the right of introducing the woolen schedule as a substitute for a proposed amendment which might put agricultural products on the free list. If the proposed rule should become the law of the two Houses we would be denied the privilege of fighting for our interests by the arraignment and introduction of the interests of others."

ROBIN COOPER MARRIED.

Daughter of President of L. & N. His Bride—Leave for Panama.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 15.—Robin Cooper, who with his father, Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, was charged with the murder of former United States Senator Edward W. Carmack, in Nashville, Tenn., in the Fall of 1908, was married tonight to Miss Eva Lee Smith, daughter of President Milton H. Smith, of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents here. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Cooper left for New Orleans, where they will sail for Panama on December 17. The case of young Cooper was recently dismissed and a petition to set aside this dismissal wa denied by the court. Colonel Cooper, who was convicted, was pardoned by Governor Patterson.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Republican leaders have agreed upon a plan whereby the holiday recess of the House will begin after next Thursday's session, the recess to continue until Wednesday, January 4th. Later on, possibly in January, evening sessions of the House are likely with a view to facilitating the administration's administrative programme.

HONOR TO GOVERNORS-ELECT

Banquet Given by Democratic Society in New York—Several Responses During Evening—Features.

New York, Dec. 15.—Only two out of the Democratic governors-elect were able to be present at a banquet given in their honor by the National Democratic Club at the Waldorf-Astoria tonight. John A. Dix, of New York, and Eugene N. Foss, of Massachusetts, were there but regrets were sent by Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, Judson Harmon, of Ohio, Simeon E. Baldwin, of Connecticut, and Frederick E Plaistead, of Maine. Two of the absentees, however Messrs. Wilson and Harmon—sent letters which were read, and both Mr. Dix and Mr. Foss delivered addresses.

Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, presided and seated by him were Richard Croker, former leader of Tammany Hall and Charles F. Murphy the present leader. A telegram was received that Governor-elect Pailstead was seriously ill and was threatened with pneumonia. Then came word that Governor-elect Baldwin had an engagement to speak in Washington.

The letters of Dr. Wilson and Governor Harmon were read before any addresses were delivered. Martin Littleton, representative-elect also spoke

Governor Harmon's letter said in part: "We must justify the confidence so signally expressed or the victory at the polls will not be the cause for rejoicing, and we shall not do this if the conduct of public business falls below the standard of the campaign. Mere personal desires, selfish purpose and importunities for special favor must be swept aside and all public authority be employed for the general food aline."

Mr. Dix confined himself largely to an account of New York State's developments and resources.

Mr. Foss said in part: "I can only speak for Massachusetts, but in that State at least the issue on which the campaign was so signally fought and won, is this: To bring the government back to the people. The only way to do it, the business way, is by eliminating all go-betweens—the boss and his agents, the caucus, the nominating convention and the lobby.

"Before we can get any honest revision of the tariff the Senate itself must be revised. Our Senators must be more responsive to the will of the people, and in order to effect an honest revision of the tariff—or any legislation in the interest of the people—our Senators must be virtually elected by popular vote. The direct primary and the election of United States Senators by the people will eliminate the lobby and its train of corruption.

"It should be no part of our work to tear down, but rather to build up. It won't be sufficient for us to repeal the iniquitous Payne-Aldrich bill without putting some constructive measure in its place. We must understand that the industrial and commercial world is not yet ready for a free trade policy and while ultimately we may attain that end it must be done through a graduated program."

WHITNEY PLANT SOLD.

Big Electric Plant Near Salisbury Brought $490,250.

Salisbury, N. C., Dec. 15.—The Whitney Electric Power Plant in Stanley county was sold at auction today for $490,250 to the North Carolina Electric Power Company, which it is reported, has two millions of capital for completion of building plans of the original company. Work on the enterprise will begin at once.

London, Dec. 15.—Latest returns announced today give government coalition 353 seats and the Unionists 257. The standing of the parties is now as follows: Government coalition: Liberals 240; Laborites 40; Nationalists 64; Independent Nationalists 9. Opposition, Unionists 257. Government majority 96.

OUTLINES.

Federal officers are prepared to swoop down on the 26 branches of the Capital Investment Company today. This will be one of the biggest raids in the history of the government's war against get-rich-quick concerns.——The steamer Maryland was partly destroyed by fire in the Chesapeake Bay yesterday and the 300 passengers aboard had a narrow escape.——Senator LaFayette Young in his maiden speech yesterday, surprised the Senate by his attack on his colleague, Senator Cummins.——A lone bandit yesterday robbed a bank at Paradise, Kans., and when he was later surrounded by a posse, committed suicide.——The proposed purchasers of the St. Louis American League Club were made known yesterday at the meeting of the league in New York.——Andrew Carnegie spoke on "The Moral Issue in War," to a peace organization in Washington yesterday.——New York markets: Money on call steady 3 1-4 to 3 1-2 per cent., ruling rate 3 3-4, closing bid 3 1-4, offered at 3 3-8. Spot cotton closed quiet, five points higher, middling uplands 15.20; middling gulf 15.45. Flour quiet and about steady. Wheat spot steady, No. 2 red 98 3-8 elevator and f.o.b. afloat. Corn spot firm, No. 2 new 54 1-2, spot f.o.b. afloat. Oats steady, futures closed 1-8c lower. Turpentine firm.

CARNEGIE SCORNS WARS OF NATIONS

Great Philanthropist Makes Address to Peace Society in Washington.

"MORAL ISSUE IN WAR" THEME

"Appeal to Conscience, Not to the Pocket" His Assertion—Urges Peaceful Arbitration of Disputes—Features.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Andrew Carnegie, who was the principal speaker of the evening before the International Conference of the American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes in developing his subject, "The Moral Issue in War" from a review of recent events in the movement for a permanent court of arbitral justice, characterized the "appeal to conscience, not to the pocket" as the paramount question.

He declared that the enormous sums Nations are now spending upon instruments for war are ominously excessive and added that he did not believe the mere cost of war or the greater cost of armaments meant to prevent war would prove the most effectual deterrent to war itself.

Mr. Carnegie referred to the newly created peace foundation only briefly, urging the American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes as well as other peace organizations not to fail to co-operate with the foundation in its single aim, the abolition of war between Nations.

"The peace movement never vibrated so strongly among men as at this moment," said Mr. Carnegie. "The present deplorable conditions of the leading Nations is rapidly bringing thoughtful men of all parties to the conclusion that something must be done, and that something invariably lies in the direction of peaceful arbitrament of international disputes. No other remedy is ever suggested. There is none. This in itself is a great gain, for when men see that there is only one possible remedy, its application is near. President Taft was the first among rulers of Nations to bridge the chasm between peace and war and point out the true path.

"Many aribtration treaties have been made, but still the situation remains practically unchanged because with the chief Nations these treaties have loop holes through which their very souls might escape."

Mr. Carnegie then referred to the fact that the United States and Great Britain agreed to an arbitration treaty in 1897, but it failed in the Senate.

He then declared that if America and England stood alone in such a treaty, the rest of the world would see the benefit of the movement and follow suit. He cited the large commercial exchange between nations as evidence of the fact that they should be partners at all times in keeping the world at peace.

Mr. Carnegie deplored the crime of killing, which is the moral wrong for which war should be abolished. He said that it was the wish of Washington, Lincoln, Grant and Sherman that war might cease forever and he commended the German Emperor for his efforts to restrict private war—"duelling"—in the army and navy.

"In all this," he continued, "we note the supreme importance attached to the moral question, the outstanding question of right to wrong—the religious and moral issues; the appeal to conscience not to the pocket, is the paramount issue. That war is costly is true, but this loss might be endured; that it is a crime, a heinous crime for men to kill each other, is the truth that insures its speedy abolition."

He concluded with an appeal to the society to co-operate with the peace foundation and all other peace organizations "as fellow workers, privileged to labor in the grandest of all causes, that war be abolished from the face of the earth."

The Other Speakers.

From Cardinal Gibbons, who pronounced the invocation, on through the speeches of Senor DeLa Barra, the Mexican ambassador; James Brown Scott, the president of the society; Senator Elihu Root, of New York; William Renwick Riddell, of the high court of justice, Ontario; President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, of the University of California; John W. Foster, former secretary of State, there was a concord of expression against war and in favor of judicial arbitration.

Mr. Carnegie's gift of $11,500,000 for a peace foundation, which shall attempt to abolish war between nations, was mentioned frequently and the large audience of diplomats, international lawyers, former ambassadors and educators, who gathered for the evening's session, applauded the donor many times.

Andrew Carnegie, who made the final speech of the evening, was given an enthusiastic ovation. He said in preface to the paper which he prepared:

"We must get a code of international law and it pleases me greatly that perhaps I have placed within reach some money that may contribute to the success of that work."

That the worst results of arbitration are incalculably better than the best effects obtained through war and that a permanent court of arbitral justice, of a judicial and not of a diplomatic character, is the ideal for which humanity should strive in its moral task of abolishing war, was the prevailing sentiment of the opening session.

Judge Willis Van DeVanter, whose appointment as associate justice United States Supreme Court was confirmed by Senate yesterday.

LONE BANDIT ROBBED A BANK

Bold Hold-Up at Paradise, Kans., Followed by Suicide of Fugitive—Secured $2,500—Sensational Chase.

Salina, Kans., Dec. 15.—Ira Ward, 30 years old, who, it is said, this morning robbed the State Bank at Paradise, at Paradise, Kans., securing $2,500, killed himself when surrounded by a posse of farmers 14 miles north of that place late today.

Ward's suicide was a climax to one of the most sensational robberies committed in Kansas in recent years. He made a hard ride for liberty, but a posse of farmers surrounded him at a place four miles north of Paradise at sundown. Then he turned the gun he bought earlier in the day upon himself and sent a bullet through his brain. In the body the posse found the $2,500 which Ward had stolen from the bank. Ward, who lived 12 miles northeast of Luray, Kans., came to Paradise last night. He attracted only casual notice. This morning he went to a hardware store and bought a revolver, ammunition and a coil of rope. He then entered the bank where he covered Cashier Bert O'Brien and four other men with the weapon. After the safe had been opened by the cashier at Ward's direction, the five men were marched into a back room and forced to lie on the floor. The lone bandit tied the men and gagged them with gunny sacking.

After taking $2,500 from the vault Ward walked to a hardware store, purchased a rifle and a large number of cartridges, and mounting his horse rode rapidly away.

In a short time the men in the bank were discovered and released. A posse was soon formed and started after Ward.

CARNEGIE CALLS ON TAFT.

Donor of Ten Million to Peace Visitor at White House.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Andrew Carnegie visited the White House today and chatted for nearly an hour with President Taft. The President congratulated Mr. Carnegie on his gift of $10,000,000 to promote peace among the nations. The President added laughingly that if Mr. Carnegie had any more tens of millions of dollars that were "not working" he was sure some one of the government departments could use the money to advantage.

By way of rejoinder Mr. Carnegie said that if he started providing the government with funds he surely would begin with the chief executive.

Seriously speaking the President expressed his deep interest in the new foundation. In addition to talking with Mr. Carnegie he had a long conference with Senator Root, chairman of the board of trustees, regarding the scope of the work to be undertaken.

Mr. Carnegie told the President he had great faith in humanity and believed that the time would not be long before the settlement of international difficulties by arbitration is assured. Mr. Carnegies' highest hopes are pinned to a peace agreement among the English speaking people.

FOR CONFEDERATE GRAVES.

Masonry Monuments Will be Erected. Action in Senate.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Large masonry monuments instead of individual headstones for the graves of Confederate soldiers, who died in Northern prisons, probably will be erected as the result of a joint resolution passed today by the Senate. The House yet has to pass upon it. The legislation is intended to meet the objections of many cemetery associations in the North to the erection of the small headstones. The larger monuments will bear bronze tablets upon which the names of the Confederate dead will be inscribed. The resolution also extends for two years the time in which the monuments are to be erected.

STEAMER ON FIRE RACES TO SAFETY

The Maryland Partly Destroyed and Passengers Had Narrow Escape

SAILORS DISPLAYED BRAVERY

Cargo of Vessel Caught Fire in Chesapeake Bay—Oiler Was Injured—Three Hundred Passengers Transferred.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 15.—Fire partly destroyed the steamer Maryland off the New ork, Philadelphia & Norfolk Railroad tonight and three hundred passengers had a narrow escape from injury or death.

The Maryland left Norfolk at 6.15 o'clock for Cape Charles. Thirty minutes later while the steamer was between Bush Bluff Light and Sewalls Point, a negro deckhand discovered fire among some bales of cotton in the freight hold.

Mate Foster in attempting to extinguish the fire single handed had to be hauled to safety by means of a rope which was passed down to him from the upper deck.

Eight United States sailors, passengers on the steamer distinguished themselves for bravery, and probably saved the lives of many passengers and prevented the complete destruction of the ship. A sailor named Stone hung over the sides of the steamer while several companions held his feet and with his hands bursted a window leading to the freight hold, and turned a stream of water on the fire.

He held this position for fifteen minutes while the Maryland was racing with all speed possible for Sewalls Point to discharge her passengers. Most of the passengers were at supper when the fire was discovered.

Owen Startt an oiler, cut an artery in his arm by shoving it through a window pane. He was sent to St. Vincent's hospital this city on a special car as soon as the Maryland reached Sewalls Point.

Had the fire been discovered 30 minutes later when the steamer reached the bay it is believed there would have been a dreadful loss of life. The greatest damage was done amidship where the fire started. The flames reached the upper cabin and the walls of some of the state rooms were badly scorched.

Captain Sadler, commanding the Maryland, was loudly praised for the way he handled the steamer in her race for safety.

A dozen tugs responded to the Maryland's distress signals and in a short time had a dozen streams turned on the blaze.

The steamer Pennsylvania was rushed from Norfolk and she took on the passengers from the Maryland and proceeded to Cape Charles.

No estimate of the uamage done the steamer would be made by the officials of the company tonight.

Twelve bags of United States mail were damaged by water and a dozen packages of letters were lost overboard.

CANADA AFTER PEACE PLAN.

Seeking Permanent Treaty With the United States.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 15.—Canada will make an effort to have a permanent peace treaty made between Great Britain and the United States. As soon as parliament re-assembles a resolution will be introduced urging the British government to take immediate steps to make a compact with the United States, which will forever prevent blood being shed in the settlement of a dispute between these two great English speaking countries.

The resolution will be presented by direction of the government and will have the unanimous support of both the Liberals and the conservatives.

It will be transmitted to Westminster as the united voice of Canada expressed in the Dominion Parliament.

With the last two years nine disputes of long standing between Canada and the United States have been disposed of forever by negotiation and agreements. The settlements include the boundary waters dispute and the Canadian Newfoundland fisheries disputes, which on more than one occasion have led Great Britain and the United States to the verge of war.

The adjustment of so many differences by peaceful methods has led the British and Canadian governments to inquire if the plan cannot be carried further and a declaration for permanent peace made.

LEVER ON POTASH DISPUTE.

Congressman Calls on Secretary Knox Relative to Adjustment.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Representative Lever has taken up with the State Department the important potash question that is now agitating the people of the South. He called to see Secretary Knox about the matter today, and as a result of this visit it is understood that it will be laid before President Taft immediately with a request that it be handled diplomatically with the representatives of the German government.

MUST HOLD IT SECRET.

Taft Gives Directions to the Secretary of War.

Washington, Dec. 15.—President Taft today directed Secretary Dickinson to withhold from Congress entirely his report on the National defense made in answer to a resolution passed by the House of Representatives. The House declined to receive the report in confidence. The President took the ground today that all the facts as to the army and the fortifications along the coast of the United States upon which Congress could base any proposed action, were contained in the regular annual report of the Secretary of War, the chief of staff and other subordinate officers of the War Department. These reports already are in the hands of Congress.

President Taft agrees with some of the Congress leaders that these conclusions and opinions should be held in strict confidence. As the House cannot receive reports in confidence the President decided it was best to withhold the original report in its entirety. He directed Secretary Dickinson to prepare a letter to the House giving the reasons for withholding the special report and inviting intention the regular annual reports which will be found to contain all of the actual information that helped to make up the reply to the McLachlin resolution.

President Taft would deprecate a war scare or hasty action at this time in any one direction. In his message to Congress he has called attention to some of the needs of the army and is hopeful that favorable action may be taken. The President is anxious that more officers for the army should be provided by law and that these officers should cooperate with the militia of the various States and thus keep in reserve at all times an effective fighting force which could be called into the field at a moment's notice.

Major General Leonard Wood, chief of the staff of the army, was again before the House Military Committee today to explain his views as to the military unpreparedness country. He talked of the woeful inadequacy of men and guns and mentioned and pointed out the impossibility of obtaining a large stock of war supplies on short notice. He believed the time to act was now and that the government should be enabled at once to purchase all the supplies necessary so that any emergency might be met promptly and effectively. General Wood favored the National council of coast plan as outlined in the American measure introduced yesterday by Representative Hobson, of Alabama, and contended for legislation providing a permanant policy such as is worked out successfully in European governments.

VANDEVENTER AND LAMAR.

Senate Confirms Supreme Court Appointments.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The appointment of Judge Willis Vandeventer, of Wyoming, and Joseph R. Lamar, of Georgia, to be Associate Justices of the United tSates Supreme Court, was concurred in by the Senate today.

The appointments were sent to the Senate Monday by President Taft had been taken up at a special meeting of the judiciary committee this morning. The committee approved both nominations and urged their immediate confirmation. It was desired to show full honor to the two appointees and to this end the special meetinf of the committee was held and confirmation was affected without referring the favorable reports to the executive calendar.

It has not yet been announced when the two new associate justices will take the oath af office. Chief Justice White, whose appointment was confirmed Monday, will be sworn in as Chief Justice Monday, December 19th. The associate justices may delay the taking of the oath until after the court re-convenes in January following the holiday recess.

McCALL-LAWSON MARRIAGE,

Daughter of Thomas W. Lawson—Observe English Customs.

Egypt, Mass., Dec. 15.—Miss Dorothy Lawson, daughter of Thomas W. Lawson, was married to Henry McCall, son of Congressman Samuel W. McCall, at Mr. Lawson's estate, Dreamwold today.

Following old English customs, the day was a holiday in Egypt, and the farm people joined with the invited guests from the city in the wedding dance. A big Christmas tree was provided for the younger generation. The ceremony was performed by Rev. John W. Suter, rector of the church of the Epiphany, Winchester.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Governor Jared Y. Sanders, of Louisiana, who arrived here yesterday is confined to his apartments at his hotel by a slight attack of tonsolitis.

REMARKABLE RECORD.

Flesh-Forming Food That Succeeds Nearly Every Time.

A man or woman might as well starve outright as to take food into the stomach and not have it assimilated, yet in Wilmington as well as in every other town and city, there are many people who are thin, pale and seem underfed, simply because the food they eat is not assimilated, and fails to make good blood and firm flesh.

Samose, the wonderful flesh-forming food, taken before or after meals, mingles with the food, so that it is assimilated by the system and makes rich blood and pleasing plumpness. No one can use it for a week or ten days without a noticeable gain in weight. Statistics show that out of every one hundred people who commence the use of Samose, 98 will find a full gain in weight and restoration of health and strength.

Anyone who is thin, weak, scrawny and emaciated can put 50c on deposit with J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co. and take home a box of Samose. If the treatment does not give a noticeable increase in good, firm flesh and restore strength and health, they will return the money without any questions.

CRITICISES AMERICAN ART

Thomas Nelson Page Spoke to Civic Association.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Caustic criticism of the art of America with particular reference to the Standard and National monuments which he characterized as a "travesty of art" was advanced by Thomas Nelson Page in an address before the American Civic Association here today.

"Go through the length and breadth of the country and see for yourself what the soldiers' monuments are like," said Mr. Page. "Admitting that the monuments represent an idea," he declared, "how dreadfully do they express it."

Mr. Page also condemned the tariff on objects of art, declaring that the country did not need it for purposes of revenue.

Speaking of the statues in the National capital, he asserted that "some are good and one or two are even fine, but gathered together, in every form and freak of modern dress, they present a terrifying spectacle.'

The discussion of city planning was the principal topic of the day.

The election of officers resulted in the re-election of J. H. McFarland, of Harrisburg, Pa., as president; Clinton R. Woodruff, of Philadelphia, as vice president; William B. Howland, of New York, as treasurer, and Richard B. Watrous, of Washington, as secretary.

PLEASING TO FRANCE.

Praise the Peace Movement and Gift of Carnegie.

Paris, Dec. 15.—Leaders of the Peace Movement in France in like Leon Bourgeois and Baron D'Estournelles de Constant, express profound gratification over the Carnegie Peace Foundation. Baron D'Estournelles is especially enthusiastic. He has always maintained that the United States would show the way to universal peace to Europe and he is at present arranging for an extensive lecture tour of the western universities in the United States in the interest of the peace propaganda.

In the present state of the world's peace movement, public opinion, he said today, is impelled by private initiative. "Such idealists as Carnegie alone can compel action by governments which, in spite of their professions of sympathy, still regard disarmament as chimerical."

The French newspapers give prominence to the announcement of the peace foundation.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

Annual Meeting of National Association in Baltimore.

Baltimore, Dec. 15.—The opening sessions of the 30th annual meeting of the National Civic Service Reform Association today and tonight was notable for the lengths to which those of the association desire the government to go in the adoption of their views. If the ideas of the association are put into practice virtually only the President and Vice President of the United States and the cabinet will be exempt from the application of the civil service rules. There will also be, if the association can bring it about, a thorough revision of the government salary list and promotions will be made strictly on the basis of merit and length of service, after thorough examinations. These points were elaborated in the report of the committee on promotion and also in the annual address of President Dr. Charles W. Eliot tonight.

FIRST CABINET DINNER.

Brilliant Social at White House—The Guests.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The first cabinet dinner of the season was given by the President and Mrs. Taft at the White House tonight. Among the guests were the Vice-President and Mrs. Sherman, members of the cabinet and their wives, several senators and the governors of Delaware and New Jersey, the Governor of Virginia and Mrs. Mann, Governor Deneen, of Illinois, and Mrs. Deneen, Governor Gillett, of California, Major General Wood, chief of staff of the army and Mrs. Wood.

The table was decorated with pink roses and maiden hair ferns. A musical followed the dinner.

NEW EPISCOPAL BISHOP.

Rev. Edward Temple Chosen For North Texas Yesterday.

Waco, Texas, Dec. 15.—Rev. Edward Temple, formerly of Front Royal, Va., and for the last five years rector of St. Paul's protestant Episcopal Church in this city, was today consecrated bishop of the North Texas missionary diocese, which includes the pan-handle region. The Rev. Mr. Temple is 40 years old and is the youngest bishop in his church.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, EASTern District of North Carolina—ss. In the United States District Court in and for said District, Fourth Division.

In the matter of William R. Allen, voluntary Bankrupt. No. 162, in Bankruptcy. Petition for Discharge.

To the Honorable H. G. Connor, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina:

William R. Allen, of Armour, in the county of Columbus, and State of North Carolina, in said District, respectfully represents that on the 14th day of November, last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the court touching his bankruptcy.

Wherefore he prays that he may be decreed by the court to have a full discharge from all debts payable against his estate under said bankrupt acts, except such debts as are exempted by law from such discharge.

Dated this 15th day of December, A. D. 1910. WILLIAM R. ALLEN. Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

Eastern District of North Carolina, County of New Hanover—ss.

On this 15th day of December, 1910, on reading the foregoing petition it is

Ordered by the Court, That a hearing be had upon the same on the 14th day of January, 1911, before Geo. H. Howell, Esq., Referee of said court, at Wilmington, N. C., in said district at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in The Wilmington Star a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place, and show cause if any they have why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the Court, That the Clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order, addressed to them at their places of residences as stated.

Witness the Honorable H. G. Connor, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Wilmington, N. C., in said district, on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1910. Attest: S. P. COLLIER, Clerk. (Seal of Court.)

SOUTHBOUND CELEBRATION.

Attended by 5,000 People at Winston-Salem.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 15.—More than 5,000 visitors were attracted here today to celebrate the completion of the Southbound Railway, running from Winston-Salem to Wadesboro, 93 miles. Col. Frank H. Fries, representing Governor Kitchin, delivered the address of welcome, Mayor R. H. Rhett, of Charleston, responding. Editor Josephus Daniels, of the Raleigh News and Observer, was among the other speakers. The exercises closed tonight with a banquet at which over 300 covers were laid.

DAVIDSON IS FREED.

Kentucky Man Charged With Assassinating John Abner.

Paris, Ky., Dec. 15.—Thomas Davidson, one of the four Breathitt county men, being tried here on the charge of assassinating John Abner near Jackson, Ky., last June, was freed today by the court, the commonwealth's attorney stating that the evidence was insufficient to convict.

The case of the other three defendants Hacker Coombs, John Davidson and Jason Deaton proceeded this afternoon.

ILLNESS ABOARD VESSEL.

Battleship Washington Hurrying to Port From Drill Grounds.

Washington, Dec. 15.—With two serious cases of illness aboard, the battleship Washington is steaming into Norfolk from the Southern drill grouid where she has been engaged in target practice. This information was contained in a wireless tlegram received by the Navy Department today. The nature of the illness is not known here. As soon as the vessel arrives at Norfolk the patients will be rushed to the naval hospital.

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Ar. Wilson	A. C. L.	11 00pm
Lv. Goldsboro	N. S. RR.	10 15pm
Lv. Wilson	N. S. RR.	11 30pm
Ar Norfolk	N. S. RR.	7 30am

(No Transfer by Ferry)

SOUTHBOUND.

Lv. Norfolk	N. S. RR.	9 00pm
Ar. Wilson	N. S. RR.	5 05am
Ar Goldsboro	N. S. RR.	6 30am
Lv. Wilson	A. C. L.	5 40am
Lv. Goldsboro	A. C. L.	6 40am
Ar. Wilmington	A. C. L.	9 45am

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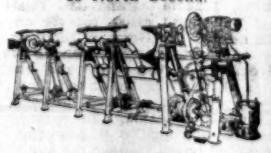

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By virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by William A. Jordan and wife, Mary, to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, registered in Book 52, page 354, et seq., the undersigned will sell, to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, on Thursday, the 22nd of December, 1910, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., at twelve o'clock, M., the following property in said City, to-wit: A lot beginning in the Western line of Twelfth Street, 66 feet North of Northern line of Orange street; runs Northwardly along said line of Twelfth Street 33 feet; thence West parallel with Orange Street 150 feet; thence South and along an alley 33 feet; thence Eastwardly in a straight line 150 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 6, Block 149.

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CLAIM NOT THE FIRST ACT

Standard Objects to Evidence Relative to Putting Competitors Out of Business in 1907—Officers Examined.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 15.—After two days' evidence taking in the Standard Oil case, in which the State charges violation of the North Carolina trust law, looks like the end will be reached tomorrow afternoon, although there is possibility that arguments of counsel will run the hearing will into Saturday.

The feature of the evidence today was the testimony by District Manager Thompson, of Norfolk, for the Texas Company, (independent), showing the cost of oil delivered here is greater to his company and other distributors than Raleigh price of 7 1-4 cents, and that his company never cut prices, but met cuts by the Standard. Division Manager W. E. Anderson, of the Indian Oil Company, testified to the same conditions. Dozens or more of local retail dealers in oil were examined as to the Raleigh conditions.

There was a long contest over the right of the prosecution to go back into 1906 and 1907 conditions, when they claim that the Standard drove out competition by the same methods and then put prices back to the former high standard. This attempt was opposed by the trust counsel on the ground that such a practice was not an offense at that time, and could not be brought into the present case, charging an offense under a law making it so since the time they seek to show such practice. In arguing this point, James H. Pou insisted that the Standard approves and is obeying the anti trust laws. Judge Stronach took issue as to former acts under advisement until Friday, and court took a recess.

CLUMBUS COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Ravages of Hog Cholera—Good Roads Rally—Land Titles

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Dec. 15.—Mr. Rowland E. Lee, of Lumberton, has been in Whiteville for three days investigating the titles to the Sweet Farm of Mr. Sam J. Smith, the purchaser who is a Robeson county farmer. Mr. Lee says he has to trace the titles back to the old State grant, which is a hard undertaking. Everything went smoothly until yesterday when he struck several missing links in the titles, and thinks the papers were never recorded. He says he does not anticipate any doubt about giving Mr. Smith a clean bill of lading to his land, but it will take time for research. Until of late years land in Columbus county was so cheap that it was not considered taking the trouble to investigate titles and make extended research in that connection.

The ladies of the Civic League will open their bazaar at the auditorium tonight, and it will be one of the most interesting social events of the holidays. It is stocked with Christmas goods and confectioneries and the proceeds will be used for beautifying the cemetery. The Vineland band furnishes music.

It is estimated that cholera carried off at least 25 per cent. of the hogs in Columbus county this year, and many farmers lost every porker they owned. Many who have never before bought meat will have to do so next year.

News from Hon. J. G. Butler, who has been so dangerously ill for some two months, is that he is fast improving and is now able to sit up.

Rev. A. H. Porter, who attended the Baptist convention at Hendersonville, says he met Mr. R. E. L. Brown while there and that Mr. Brown has made a wonderful improvement and is now looking as well as he ever saw him.

Whiteville is now considered the leading mule market of this section. There are half-dozen or more large dealers here and parties from all neighboring counties come to our town to buy stock.

The Good Roads Association of Columbus is flooding the county with letters to leading citizens in every township urging them to turn out and hear Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, on the 3rd of January, and also to make suggestions about building good roads in our county.

INTERESTED IN ELECTRIC LINE

Representative of Isothermal Traction Co., Visits Hickory.

(Charlotte Observer.)

Hickory, Dec. 14.—Mr. M. L. Mauney, representing the Isothermal Traction Company, which has been chartered to build an electric line from Gastonia to Asheville, was here Tuesday and met a number of business men and to see whether they would welcome a branch line from King's Mountain to Hickory. The visit was in nowise official, merely incidental and tentative, but the executive committee of the chamber of commerce met with Mr. Mauney in the evening and assured him of their desire to secure the branch line. Morganton, it is understood, is a bidder for it. A line to that city would probably branch off from Shelby. It would require some financial aid to the preliminary work to get the line here.

A French syndicate has signed up to finance this Asheville-Gastonia Isothermal electric line and its success is said to be assured.

Mr. Mauney is an old Lenoir College man, of the class of 1903, and a chum of Dr. K. A. Price.

Ends Winter's Troubles.

To many, Winter is a season of trouble. The frost bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold sores, red and rough skins prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of burns, boils, piles, cuts, sores, eczema and sprains. Only 25c at Robt. R. Bellamy's.

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WADESBORO POULTRY SHOW.

Exhibits May Reach Thousands and Affair a Great Success.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wadesboro, Dec. 15.—This is the opening day of the first Annual Exhibition of the Anson County Poultry Association and more than 500 fouls were on exhibition in the coops this morning with others coming in on today's trains. Secretary Covington hopes that the total number will reach 1,000. In connection with the poultry exhibition the Woman's Farmers' Institute will have their annual exhibition and a large attendance from all over the country is anticipated.

The association was organized a few months ago with W. H. Liles, president; W. N. Jeans, B. S. Davis, T. P. Dillon, Dr. D. Thompson and J. D. McGregor, vice-presidents, and B. M. Covington, secretary and treasurer. After completing their organization the association went to work in earnest to make their first annual exhibition the premier show of the Carolinas, and from all advanced reports they have succeeded. The association secured F. J. Marshall, of College, Park, Ga., as Judge, and J. A. Harrel and T. W. Austin are in charge of the exhibits. The premium list is extensive and covers the entire poultry list. Exhibits are coming in today from a number of different States.

EXCITEMENT IN ASHEVILLE.

Good Government League After Blind Tigers—Prominent Men Summone

(Special Star Telegram.)

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 15.—Good Government League, headed by Col. V. S. Lusk, has begun a testificandum proceedings against one of the alleged "blind tigers" of the city, and should this prove successful, others will be proceeded against. This is the first test made of section 3721, Revisal of 1905. More than 15 prominent men are summoned as witnesses to testify to conditions. Serving of subpoenas has caused considerable excitement in town. The case is set for hearing Saturday.

Saved From Awful Death.

How an appalling calamity in his family was prevented is told by A. D. McDonald, of Fayetteville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 8. "My sister had consumption," he writes, "she was very thin and pale, had no appetite and seemed to grow weaker every day, as all remedies failed, till Dr. King's New Discovery was tried, and so completely cured her, that she has not been troubled with a cough since. It's the best medicine I ever sa wor heard of." For coughs, colds, la grippe, asthma, croup, hemorrhages, all bronchial troubles, it has no equal, 50c, $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Robt. R. Bellamy.

BOOSTERS OUT WITH BAND.

Twin-City Men Visit Wadesboro With Special Train.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wadesboro, Dec. 14.—A special train of four coaches with a delegation of 50 members of the Winston-Salem board of trade and a brass band of 20-pieces reached Wadesboro at 8:15 tonight and are boosting the Twin-City and celebrating the completion of the Winston-Salem Southbound Railroad. President H. E. Fries and General Passenger Agent S. P. Collier, Jr., are in charge of the party. The party was met at the depot by a representation of the Wide-Awake Wadesboro Club and was taken to the National hotel.

A number of Wadesboro people left on the Winston-Salem excursion train this morning for Winston-Salem. Among them several are invited to be guests of the Winston-Salem board of trade at the banquet given in Winston-Salem tonight. The invited guests are F. W. Dunlap, mayor of Wadesboro, G. W. Huntley, T. L. Caudle, W. C. Bivens, J. C. Boylin and T. W. Chambliss

GREENSBORO WAS CHOSEN.

Colored Masons Elect Officers for the Ensuing Year.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 15.—Today was quite a gala one for the colored population of this city, because of the large public demonstration of the Grand Lodge of F. & A. A. Masons of North Carolina. The parade was a creditable one. The annual public addres was delivered by Dr. J. E. Dellinger, of Greensboro.

The following Grand Lodge officers were elected by acclamation for the ensuing year: R. B. McRary, Lexington, Grand Master; P. A. Stevenson, Salisbury, Senior Warden; W. S. Simmons, Bayboro, Junior Warden; Dr. C. S. Brown, Winton, Grand Secretary; A. R. Middleton, Kenansville, Grand Treasurer; G. H. Hayes, Greensboro, Grand Tiler.

The Grand Lodge will convene next year in Greensboro. The reports of the officers showed the fraternity to be in a good condition.

CONFIRMS RAILROAD SALE.

Mount Airy and Eastern Road Sold for $20,000.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 15.—In the United States court today Judge Boyd confirmed the sale of the Mount Airy & Eastern Railway, running from Mount Airy into Grayson county, Virginia, 20 miles, the purchase price being $20,000. Unsecured creditors opposed the sale on the ground that the road cost nearly $200,000, but it was shown by counsel for the receiver that the property had been twice advertised with no bidders.

CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS.

Father and Two Sons Arrested for Blockading—True Bills Returned

(Special Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., Dec. 15.—Deputies Pleasants and Belvin made two exceptionally good hauls this morning when they landed William Chandler and his two sons, Murphy and Norman, against whom true bills were found last week on the charge of blockading, and also secured thirty gallons of liquor. The arrest was made at their home, six miles west of Durham, near the Orange county line, just as they had started away with a barrel of whiskey loaded on a wagon.

Havana, Dec. 15.—The Philadelphia Americans defeated the Havana baseball team today 6 to 4.

DEATH TOLL TEN MEN.

Result of Mine Explosion—Rejoicing Yesterday.

Norton, Va., Dec. 15.—The death toll in the explosion in the Greeno Mine near here yesterday was ten men. Nine were killed in the explosion and one died after being taken out. The last two to be rescued were found early today in a semi-conscious condition. Immediately following the explosion these two men crawled to an air pipe that connects with the outside and with a sledge hammer broke the pipe. They stood by this source of air supply 20 hours and managed to keep alive. The restoration of these men was the occasion for much rejoicing today. Superintendent Barrowman, who lost his life in the explosion will be buried at Norton tomorrow.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

These time tables are corrected to Nov. 28, 1910, but their correctness nor the arrivals and departures are not guaranteed, the figures being given as the best available information as to schedules of this company and its connections.

42	48	*Daily.	49	41
*7 00pm	*8 40am	Lv. ....WILMINGTON.....Ar.	6 15pm	9 45am
10 06pm	11 37am	Ar. .....Goldsboro.....Lv.	2 59pm	6 40am
11 00pm	12 30pm	Ar. .....Wilson.....Lv.	1 52pm	5 40am
11 45pm	1 18pm	Ar.....Rocky Mount .....Lv.	12 58pm	5 05am
2 15am	4 55pm	Ar.....Weldon.....Lv.	11 30am	3 25am
4 00am	7 05pm	Ar. .....Petersburg.....Lv.	9 13am	1 40am
4 40am	8 00pm	Ar. .....Richmond.....Lv.	8 15am	1 00am
8 00am	11 50pm	Ar.....Washington.....Lv.	4 20am	9 40pm
9 16am	1 15am	Ar. .....Baltimore.....Lv.	2 50am	8 20pm
11 35am	3 40am	Ar.....West Philadelphia....Lv.	12 19am	5 44pm
1 31pm	5 40am	Ar. .....Manhattan Tr. (a)..Lv.	9 50pm	3 58pm
1 50pm	b5 50am	Ar. .....NEW YORK.....Lv.	*9 50pm	*3 38pm
		(7th Ave. & 32nd St.)		

(a)—Connections made at Manhattan Transfer with trains to and from Jersey City and thence with Desbrosses or Cortlandt street ferries and with Hudson River Terminal tubes to and from lower New York City.
b—Sleeper may be occupied until 7:30 A. M.

48 and 49—Pullman parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman service.

42 and 41—Pullman Broiler buffet sleeping cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains with Pullman service.

42	48	*Daily.	49	41
*7 00pm	*8 40am	Lv. ... WILMINGTON ... Ar.	6 15pm	9 45am
11 45pm	1 18pm	Ar. .. .. Rocky Mount ... . Lv.	12 58pm	5 05am
3 09am	1 20pm	Lv. .. .. Rocky Mount .. ...Ar.	12 55pm	10 35pm
4 13am	2 05pm	Ar. ... ... Tarboro ... ... Lv.	12 18pm	9 58pm
8 00am	5 55pm	Ar.. .. ... NORFOLK ... ... Lv.	*8 15am	*620pm

42 and 41—Pullman Broiler buffet sleeping cars, Wilmington and Norfolk.
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55	51	*Daily	50	54
*3 15pm	*5 45am	Lv.....WILMINGTON.....Ar.	11 40pm	1 40pm
7 25pm	9 30am	Ar. .....Florence.....Lv.	8 00pm	9 30am
2 25am	3 25pm	Ar. .....Charleston.....Lv.	4 37pm	5 25am
2 25am	3 30pm	Ar. .....Savannah.....Lv.	12 05pm	12 25am
11 55am	2 20am	Ar. .....Albany.....Lv.	1 25am	1 55pm
9 40am	1 45am	Ar. ..... Thomasville.....Lv.	2 05am	2 05pm
5 50pm	8 50am	Ar. .....Montgomery.....Lv.	6 50pm	6 05am
7 15am	8 00pm	Ar. .....JACKSONVILLE.....Lv.	7 30am	7 55pm
2 05pm	2 10am	Ar. .....Sanford, Fla.....Lv.	1 25am	2 55pm
7 00pm	7 00am	Ar. .....TAMPA.....Lv.	9 00pm	10 30am
8 55pm	8 00am	Ar. ST. PETERSBURG....Lv.	8 15pm	6 45am
10 20pm	1 05pm	Ar FORT MYERS.....Lv.	*3 00pm	*6 45am

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55	51	*Daily	32-50	54
*3:15pm	*5 45am	Lv.....WILMINGTON.....Ar.	11 40pm	1 40pm
7 25pm	9 30am	Ar. .....Florence.....Lv.	8 00pm	9 30am
9 20pm	11 15am	Ar.....Sumter.....Lv.	6 55pm	7 40am
11 10pm	12 50pm	Ar.....COLUMBIA.....Lv.	4 10pm	6 00am
9 25am	.....	Ar.....AUGUSTA.....Lv.	2 30pm	.....
11:50pm	1 10pm	Lv .... COLUMBIA, Sou. Ry. .. Ar	2 30pm	4 40am
5 30am	7 40pm	Ar.....Saluda...Sou. Ry.....Lv.	8 45am	10 25pm
6 00am	8 15pm	Ar.....Hendersonville..Sou. .....Lv.	8 05am	9 50pm
7 00am	9 15pm	Ar.....ASHEVILLE Sou. Ry.....Lv.	7 00am	8 50pm
7 20pm	.....	Ar.....Knoxville...Sou. Ry.....Lv.	*1 35am	7 40am
8 40am	.....	Ar.....Louisville...Sou. Ry.....Lv.	.....	8 00am
8 00am	.....	Ar.....CINCINNATI Q. & C.....Lv.	.....	*8 10pm

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57	51	55 *Dly.	!Dly. Ex. Sun. xSun	only.	54	50	58
7 30pm	*5 45am	*3 15pm	Lv..... WILMINGTON. ...Ar.	1 40pm	11 40pm	8 30am	
9 15pm	7 28am	5 00pm	Ar..... CHADBOURN ...Lv.	*11 40am	*9 56pm	6 25am	
10 10pm	11 50am	x5 15pm	Lv..... CHADBOURN. ...Ar.	7 10am	5 00pm	6 15am	
11 45pm.	1 30pm	6 45pm	Ar..... ...CONWAY.....Lv.	x5 40am	3 30pm	4 30am	

61	53	*Daily	!Daily ex. Sun	60	52
8 30pm	*8 45am	Lv.....WILMINGTON.....Ar.	10 15am	8 05pm	
9 45pm	11 45am	Ar.....Fayetteville .....Lv.	7 10am	4 50pm	
9 45pm	12 10pm	Lv.....xayetteville .....Ar.	6 30am	4 45pm	
11 10pm	1 40pm	Ar.....SANFORD.....Lv.	5 05am	*3 30pm	

62	64	*Daily. !Daily Except Sunday	63	65
*3 25pm	5 50am	Lv.....WILMINGTON.....Ar.	12 50pm	6 50pm
5 22pm	7 42am	Ar.....Jacksonville, N. C.....Lv.	10 55am	4 55pm
6 44pm	9 10am	Ar.....Nor. & Sou. Junction.....Lv.	9 35am	3 35pm
6 50pm	9 15am	Ar.....NEWBERN, N. C.....Lv.	*9 30am	3 30pm

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8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45
11:30	12:15
1:00 P. M.	1:45 P. M
2:00	2:45
3:00	3:45
3:30	4:15
4:30	5:15
5:30	6:25
6:10	6:50
7:10	7:50
8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45

SUNDAYS.

8:30 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
9:30	10:15
10:00	10:45
11:30	12:15 P. M.
1:00 P. M.	1:45
2:00 and every half hour until	2:45 and every half hour until
5:30	6:45
6:10	6:25
7:10	7:50
8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45

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Week Days: 6:50, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M.; 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.
Sundays: 8:30, 9:30, 10:00 11:30 A. M.; 1:00, 2:00, 230, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington:
Week Days: 6:20, 7:30 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M.; 12:25, 1:55, 2:55, 3:55, 4:55, 5:25, 6:35, 7:00, 8:00, 9:26, 10:55, 11:30 P. M.
Sundays: 9:25, 10:25, 10:55, A. M.; 12:25, 1:55, 2:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:35, 7:00, 8:00, 9:25, 10:55, 11:30 P. M.

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Ar. Cincinnati	7:50 a m	6:25 p m
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Friday, December 16, 1910.

After Christmas we will hear more about that boulevard from Wilmington to Charlotte and on to Asheville.

The fellow who got "engaged" before Christmas is in for it. It will have to be something nice or nothing at all.

A Georgia paper inquires: 'What is sweeter than Georgia molasses?" Why, more lasses like we have in North Carolina.

It is said that a county which hasn't got good roads produces pug-nosed children. It is hoped every county in North Carolina will get out of the pug-nose class.

Every man who is able to do so should make his wife a present of $1,000 as a Christmas present. She won't spend as much of it as he would, and then again, .e can borrow what is left after Christmas.

Georgia papers naturally have to speak well of North Carolinians who settle in Georgia because the Tar Heels might get mad and return home, leaving Georgia with a smaller population than little old South Carolina.

The Richmond News Leader is struck with the fact that "a jury of women in San Francisco reached a verdict in 20 seconds." Probably they didn't "reach" any verdict but may have coincided in an idea or jumped at a conclusion.

A North Carolina boy produced 228 3-4 bushels of corn per acre in South Carolina and another North Carolina boy produced 226 2-3 bushels on one acre in North Carolina. There was something in the boys as well as in the land. A North Carolina boy is an asset wherever he goes.

Ex-Congressman Leonodus F. Livingston of Georgia, who served seventeen years in Congress but lost a nomination in the last campaign, is a candidate for Sergeant-at-Arms of the Democratic House of Representatives in the next Congress. He is a good man for the place but that has nothing to do with the reflection that when men get into politics it is hard to choke them off.

Says the Salisbury Post: "Another prophet bobs up and declares that in 400,000 years the earth will collide with the star Vega and be destroyed." In the meantime, however, every county in North Carolina should make haste to adopt the stock law and construct good roads in all directions. Then when Vega gets in its work it wont' be up against a North Carolina county 400,000 years behind the times.

Says the Durham Herald: "Many of the counties could have much better roads if the money now used for road purposes was spent intelligently." So far as that is concerned, everthing depends on intelligence for the best results. The Herald speaks the truth, and it but emphasises the importance of electing intelligent and trustworthy men to look after the extensive and important business of all the people. A lot of men who couldn't conduct business for themselves are holding office and attempting to transact business for the public. That's the reason why so many reforms are called for by a dissatisfied public. Inefficiency, more than dishonesty, is to blame for the shiftless, unprogressive and ineffective management of the business of cities, counties and States.

RAILROADS AS DEVELOPERS.

The greatest factor in the development of any country or community is the railroads. American railroads not only perform the legitimate function of furnishing transportation for passengers and freights, but in a great many instances they are expected to encourage the development of cities and communities. In fact, railroad managements in this country not only do that but spend millions of dollars in progressive movements in which their roads are not directly interested but in which they ultimately are concerned. Whatever quarrel the people or a community may have with the railroads, there is no doubt that there is no one agency in this country so powerful as a development factor than the railroads we now have and must have in the future.

A few days ago the Star referred to the fact that President Finley, of the Southern Railway, was in Columbia, conferring with the State Agricultural Department of South Carolina concerning "a campaign for better cotton." The plan involves not only a movement to induce cotton growers to plant better varieties of cotton, but encourage and demonsrate the most modern methods of cultivation, fertilization and seed selection. It is announced from Washington that the "Cotton Culture Department of the Southern Railway Company" is now fully organized and in active operation on the Southernn Railway's lines in Alabama. One general agent and seven field agents have been appointed to conduct the campaign in Alabama.

The field agents are to co-operate with the representatives of the United States Agriculture Department and with the State agricultural authorities in advising the farmers as to the best cultural methods to pursue in order to increase the average yield of cotton per acre. Demonstration farms will be established in connection with the work and it is not difficult to conceive what an immense advantage such a campaign will be in the States where it is to be conducted.

The plan of the Southern Railway in connection with the National and State agricultural authorities, also is to give advice and instructions as to the best methods of dealing with the Mexican cotton boll weevil in localities to which there is a probability that it may spread. President Finley, while at Columbia, was deeply interested in this campaign for better cotton and no doubt similar campaigns will be carried on in other States as well as Alabama, as rapidly as circumstances will permit. President Finley is giving personal attention to the general supervision of this work which it is propsed to make as helpful and effectve as possible. It is his purpose to maintain a high degree of efficiency in the Southern's cotton culture department and gradually to extend its operatiosn to the eastward.

This is great work and it will be of tremendous advantage to the country and ultimately will prove of inconceivable importance to the railroads which engage in such campaigns.

AUTOCRATIC PUNISHMENT.

A Washington special to the Charlotte Observer of yesterday says:

"Senators Overman and Simmons of North Carolina, Chamberland of Oregon, and Representative Page of North Carolina called on President Taft today to urge reconsideration of the action taken by Secretary of the Interior Ballinger last spring, denying A. C. Shaw, formerly law officer of the forest service, the right to practice before the Interior Department. Mr. Shaw was discharged from the forest service by an executive order for his activity in the conservatisionists' campaign against Secretary Ballinger at the same time that Overton W. Price, assistant forester, was dropped from the payrolls. When Shaw made application early last year for permission to practice in general land office cases, Secretary Ballinger denied the application. Shaw is from North Carolina and immediately brought pressure to bear to secure a rehearing of his case. With the adjournment of Congress, however, no action was taken. The delegation which again urged the matter on the President to day says that, inasmuch as neither of the opinions of the Ballinger-Pinchot committee find Shaw guilty of any fault, he should be permitted to practice before the department. Mr. Shaw is at present practicing law at Portland, Oregon. The President said he would give immediate consideration to the matter."

Mr. Shaw is a son of the late Maj. John D. Shaw, of Rockingham, and he committed lese majeste against Secretary Ballinger by stating some facts in connection with the conservation service, a mere statement as to records, without regard to how his statement affected Ballinger. He was one of the "snakes" which Ballinger killed and was not only discharged from the service, which in all probability might be justified under the circumstances and from the standopint of the Secretary of the Interior, but his punishment was autocratically carried to the extent that he is denied a privilege at the dictum of one man. He was not only not tried but was not guilty of any act that would bar him from a privilege which all lawyers should have. The appeal to the President no doubt is a diplomatic way to proceed but it is asking the President to overrule one of his Cabinet members.

To do that would be equivalent to calling for Ballinger's resignation. An order from the President restoring Shaw's privilege is a very embarrassing position in an exceedingly embarrassing situation. It strikes us that a writ of mandamus served on Secretary Ballinger would compel that automcratic official to recognize the fact that he is not a court or a jury endowed with power to inflict punishment without guilt.

Mr. Shaw could be properly discharged from the service and yet retain his privileges and rights as a lawyer to practice wherever the interests of his clients may call him. President Taft most likely will take a long time to consider Mr. Shaw's appeal, or will turn it down in short order. Nevertheless, the debarment of Mr. Shaw is not only punishment without guilt, but it affects the rights of his clients who are entitled to the full benefit of his services either in or out of the Interior Department.

WILMINGTON INTERESTED.

The Charlotte Evening News says the Seaboard Air Line Railway already has entered into a freight traffic arrangement with the inteests behind the Piedmont Traction Company and the Greenville, Spartanburg and Anderson Railway, which will be a part of the interurban trolley system which is to be built in the Piedmont country of the Carolinas by the Messrs. Duke and associates. The News considers that such traffic arrangements "is a pretty good indication that the inter-urban is planned for as great an enterprise as even the most optimistic dreamers have imagined and that there will be no unnecessary delay in the construction of the system.

Charlotte is to be the centre of the Piedmont trolley system, and consequently traffic arrangemnts with the Seaboard interests Wilmington. Wilmington is directly connected with Cahrlotte over the Seaboard Air Line, and evidently all the trolley lines will be open to Wilmington's business over the Seaboard. Every line of trolley railway built in the Piedmont will add to the opportunities of communities far away from the territory to be intersected by the electric railways.

The ultimate consumer is still in the soup.

It is reported that Santa Claus has done his shopping early.

Raising corn in North Carolina is no longer a mere matter of "moonshine."

The grandest mistakes in grand opera are not noticed by nine out of ten who pretend like they love grand opera.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington alderman who resigned because he could not secure the enforcement of the laws should have put it up to the mayor.—Durham Herald.

If there is a disposition on the part of the State to regulate the water power companies it should let them know what to expect before investing their money.—Durham Herald.

"They raised some corn in North Carolina this year." Likewise some corn raised in North Carolina was instrumental in raising cain in certain localities where the people delight to revel in the moonshine.—Richmond News-Leader.

President Dorsett, of the State Grange of Pennsylvania, says that last year the farmers of New York State got $8,000,000 for their potato crop. This same crop, he asserts, was manipulated and sold to consumers for $50,000,000, the difference going into the pockets of the transportation companies and the middlemen. It seems that here ought to be some way of arriving at a more equal division than that.—Savannah News.

Here is Senator Lodge, of grand old Massachusetts, a State that has always regarded the tariff as sacred, and protection of divine origin, practically admitting, after all these years, that Gen. Hancock was right when he said the "tariff is a local issue." The declaration killed Hancock politically, but it appears to be the only thing that helps Lodge. He admitted recently that "my first thought is for the workers in the woolen mills of Massachusetts."—Chattanooga Times.

North Carolina is now the greatest tobacco manufacturing State in the Union. For several years she has been a close second to Missouri, and last year forged ahead, according to figures from the internal revenue bureau. The total revenue paid by Missouri was $4,456,841.40, while North Carolina paid $4,834,532.52, representing 80,575,542 pounds of tobacco. These figures show that North Carolina pays about 20 per cent. of all the internal revenue collected in the United tSates.—Raleigh Times.

Declaring that the Asheville Newspapers have never been privileged to hear an "avalanche of dainty applause," The Charlote Observer says: "We cordially invite the Citizen and The Gazette-News to attend the next meeting of the Charlotte Woman's Club, where they will be afforded a charming opportunity to study 'avalanches of dainty applause' under most favorable conditions." Selah! We shall await with impatient longing the pleasure of hearing that cyclone of subdued enthusiasm at the Charlotte Woman's Club.—Asheville Citizen.

The Savannah Morning News says: "North Carolina has no large city that will compare with either Richmond or Norfolk, but it is liberally sprinkled with fine little cities and towns that will compare with any in the world. And its woods are full of good people, many of whom come to Georgia just as soon as they can."

The News knows better than this. Virginia has more fine little cities and towns than any other State in the nation. Nor will the Tar Heels ever go to Georgia if they can help it, for no civilized people ever flourished on near-beer.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

The Tampa Times tells of the phosphate shipments of that port for the month of November, and the increase shown over last year is most satisfactory and interesting. The shipments amounted to 88,300 tons and this is more than 4,000 tons greater than November, 1909. "Most of the time during the past month," says the Times, "so heavy has been the movement from the Seaboard and Atlantic Coast Line terminals that ships in many instances were compelled to either anchor out or to tie up elsewhere until room could be made for them at the elevators." This is certainly a matter for congratulation.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

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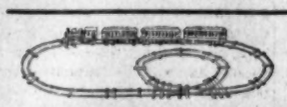

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as executor of the estate of Lillius N. Love, deceased, late of New Hanover County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned in the City of Wilmington, on or before the 11th day of November 1911, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This November 11th, 1910.

W. W. LOVE, Executor of the estate of Lillius M. Love. nov. 11-6w-Fri.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of Mary Bridges, deceased, late of New Hanover county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned Emily Bridges, on or before the 18th day of November, 1911, o rthis notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 17th day of November, 1910.

EMILY BRIDGES, Administratrix of Mary Bridges. nov. 18-fri.-6t.

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SPECIAL MEETING TODAY

Aldermen Will Finally Consider Proposition to Build Down Town Fire Station—Other Matters May Come Up.

For the purpose of definitely deciding whether a fire station will be erected in the down town district or a new and modern structure be built on corner of Fourth and Princess streets to take the place of the present unsightly and unsafe building used by the firemen of Engine No. 1, a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen has been called for 3 o'clock this afternoon at the request of Aldermen W. E. Yopp, T. B. Willard and W. L. West. Other matters may also be considered at this meeting.

The condition of the present building at Fourth and Princess streets was called to the attention of the Board of Aldermen some months ago and the board was asked to either erect a new building on that site or purchase property nearer the centre of the business district and erect a fire station building. Some of the Aldermen favored a down town fire station while others thought the site of the present station was the proper place for the new building. The matter was considered at several meetings, but the Aldermen were unable to agree on anything. More than a year ago city officials realized that the building at Fourth and Princess was in such sondition as to make repairs useless and that it would be economy to erect a new building. The building committee of the Board of Aldermen was authorized to secure plans for a new building at Fourth and Princess. Several plans were submitted and those drawn by Mr. H. E. Bonitz were accepted. This is as far as the matter got at that time. Four or five months ago the attention of the Aldermen was again called to the condition of the building and urging the necessity for providing adequate and safe quarters for the firemen without further delay, as the present building was dangerous. A fight developed which has held the matter in abeyance and the citizens generally will be glad to learn that there is a possibility of the question being finally settled this afternoon. It is thought probable that enough Aldermen who favored the down-town station will vote with the "stand-patters" to carry the proposition to build at Fourth and Princess streets.

The report of the committee appointed some time ago to draft an amendment to the charter of the city may also be called for this afternoon. The committee has been at work for several weeks and it was stated some days ago that the report is about completed.

When it became known that a meeting was to be held this afternoon there was much speculation as to whether Alderman J. B. Fales would tender his resignation at the special meeting or wait until the regular meeting in January, he having stated in a card in the city papers that he would tender his resignation at the next meeting of the board. Mr. Fales was asked last night if he intended to have his resignation before the board for action this afternoon and he replied that he had in mind the regular meeting in January when he wrote his card; that he had some other matters which he desired to bring to the attention of the public before severing his connection with the aldermanic body, and would, therefore, continue his relations with the board through the month of December.

WORK ON THE RACE TRACK.

Field Will Be Enclosed and Erection of Buildings Started.

Work on the race track to be located on the farm of Dr. Morris Caldwell, near Winter Park, will be started during the next few days and it is expected that the course will be in shape for use early in January. The track will be enclosed and a grand stand, bleachers, stables and a house for attendants will be erected at once. The grand stand will have a seating capacity of about one thousand.

It is stated that the course will not be used exclusively for races in which only local horses enter but the idea is to have tournaments which will be open to horses owned by sportsmen in this and other States.

The opening meet will be of interest not only to local sportmen but to owners of fast horses all over the eastern part of the State, and it is expected that several horses will be entered from other States. Attractive prize lists are to be issued from time to time.

Owing to the location of the course it can be reached either by the turnpike or a suburban car, the track of the Tidewater Power Company being a short distance away.

Basketball at Y. M. C. A.

Basketball continues to interest a large number of men and boys at the Y. M. C. A. Last night in the Busy Men's class, Capt. Hanes' team snowed under team No. 4, Capt. Kessler, by piling up a total score of 24 to 12. H. W. Stevens was easily the star. In the Junior League game, Capt. Farrar's team defeated Capt. Haar's team 9 to 4. N. Davis and W. Smith did fine work for Farrar's team, and Capt. Haar was easily the leader of his team.

You Must Read This if You Want the Benefit.

J. W. Greer, Greenwood, La., suffered with a severe case of lumbago, "The pains were so intense I was forced to hypodermic injections for relief. These started with a pain in the small of my back, which gradually became fairly paralyzing. My attention was attracted to Foley's Kidney Remedy and I am glad to say after using tnis wonderful medicine I am no longer bothered in any way by my old enemy, lumbago." Robt. R. Bellamy.

A square deal for all is a Red Cross Christmas Seal.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Negro Gets Three Months for Larceny of 25 Cent Shirt.

Because he took from the store of Stewart & Oterson, No. 603 North Fourth street, a 25 cent shirt without paying the price of the garment, Robert Russ, colored, must serve a term of three months on the county roads. The result of his efforts to secure dishonestly a brand new shirt for Christmas means that he will not only be denied his freedom during that gladsome season but for a much longer period. According to the testimony adduced at the trial in the Recorder's court yesterday, Russ picked up a 25 cent shirt in the store of Stewart & Oterson Wednesday and started out with it. He was observed by one of the proprietors who called to Sergeant Wood, who chanced to be passing at the time. When the negro saw the officer he walked back in the store and threw the shirt down on a counter. The officer walked in the store in time to see the negro fling the shirt from him.

H. Harriss, a white man from Bladen county, was called to answer two charges—violation of a sanitary ordinance and carrying a concealed weapon. He was arrested on the former charge and when taken to police headquarters and searched a pistol was found on his person. For carrying concealed weapon he was fined $25 and costs and a fine of $5 and costs was entered in the other case.

Mary Pope, colored, charged with assault with deadly weapon on another negro, was required to pay the costs. The evidence was to the effect that she drew a chair on the prosecutor.

SEMI-ANNUAL SALE BEGINS!

Mr. I. Shrier Purchases Large Stock of Suit Materials.

Mr. I. Shrier returned Wednesday from New York City, where he went in the interest of his large tailoring business to arange for the purchase of a large line of men's dress fabrics from the mills, and announces to the men of Wilmington that he has obtained a larger and better lot of domestic and imported woolen than have ever been put on sale in Wilmington for the price, even by himself. The left-overs from the regular season's line of goods are sold at an enormous reduction from the regular price, far below the first cost of manufacture, and Mr. Shrier by taking over the entire stock of his New ork tailors, can offer them at equally big reductions.

The patterns were put on display at his establishment yesterday morning and although comprising thousands of yards of goods, it would be well for any one desiring a suit at about half price to call early, as Wilmington men have got in the habit of waiting for these semi-annual sales to replenish their wardrobe without much cost, and the sale is going with a vim that is characteristic of this large establishment, which claims justly to be the "Largest Retail Tailoring House in the South."

BOYS' BRIGADE BASKETBALL.

Two Games Will be Played in the Gymnasium Tonight.

The lovers of basketball will have an opportunity of witnessing two good games tonight at the Boys' Brigade gymnasium, when the Lions will compete with the Seminoles and the Stags will play the Kangaroos. The Stags have not suffered defeat this season, but the Kangaroos will endeavor to break their winning streak tonight. All of the teams have been strengthened and some good sport is promised those who attend.

The attendance upon these weekly games now numbers more than 100 which is about the seating capacity of the gallery. Should the attendance increase it will be necessary to place chairs on the "gym" floor. The front seats are always reserved for ladies who compose about half the audience at each contest. The first game tonight will begin promptly at 8:15 o'clock. The officials will be W. A. McGowan, time keeper; E. C. Dixon, scorer; Chas. Dushon, referee.

Real Estate Transfers.

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: A. W. Pate and wife to W. D. MacMillan, Jr., for $10 and other considerations, lots 10 and 11 block A of Sea Girt Park, near Greenville station; H. F. Wilder and wife and H. G. Smallbones and wife to J. W. Freeman for $100 and other considerations, lot on east side of Third, 320 feet south of Grace street, 33x90 in size; John S. Boyd and wife to Squires Fennell, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south side of Gwynn, 198 feet east of Dickinson street, 33x132 feet in size; W. M. Cumming and wife to S. V. Bunting, for $1,015, lot on south side of alley known as A. B. C. Lane, between Bladen and Harnett, 105 feet east of Fourth street, 60x90 feet in size.

Not Guilty of Perjury.

Archie Hall, colored, arrested Wednesday on the charge of perjury, following his testimony in a case he brought against Jim Pearsall, colored, for assault with deadly weapon, was given hearing before Justice Harriss yesterday morning and declared not guilty. The case against Pearsall, charged with assault with deadly weapon, has been sent over to the Recorder's court and will be investigated Monday. Hall is represented by Walter P. Gafford, Esq., while L. Clayton Grant, Esq., appears for Pearsall.

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SEMI-ANNUAL AUDIT OF CITY

Clerk of Board of Audit and Finance Finishes His Audit of Several Departments for First Six Months of Fiscal Year.

Capt. Thos. D. Meares, clerk of the Board of Audit and Finance, has completed his audit of the accounts of the several departments of the city government for the first six months of the fiscal year, ending November 30th, and the figures contained in his report as will be submitted to the board at the next regular meeting will be of interest. The report as a whole makes a good showing.

The general expense account includes salaries, lights, fuel, ice, etc., tax listing, commission on back taxes, stationery and incidentals, for which an appropriation of $11,350 was made for the year, of which $6,067.35 has been expended, leaving a balance of $5,314.54. The amount overdrawn, $31.89, was for commissions on back taxes. Of the appropriation of $35,250 for the police department, only $17,211.54 has been spent, leaving a balance of $18,038.46. An appropriation of $10,000 was made for permanent street improvement, $4,500 as interest on bonds and $5,500 for the Wright and Third streets improvements, and of this $5,035.36 has been expended, leaving a balance of $4,964.64. For street cleaning and repairs $29,479 was appropriated. Of this amount $16,742.17 has already been expended, the balance for the remaining six months being $12,970.93. This account was overdrawn to the extent of $234.10 in the purchase of new teams. The fire department has expended $18,324.23 of its appropriation of $36,030, leaving a balance of $17,705.77. There is a balance of $595.16 for public buildings, $674.84 of the $1,270 appropriated being expended. The sanitary department has spent $5,239.71 of its appropriation of $8,190, leaving a balance of $3,350.31. This department overdrew to the extent of $400.02, $309.10 on account of contagious diseases and $90.92 for disinfectants. The lighting for the six months has cost $8,841.20. The appropriation was $18,596, leaving a balance of $9,754.80. Under the head of water and sewerage $19,100 was appropriated, $18,000 as interest on bonds, $1,000 for deep wells and $100 for incidentals; $7,248.19 has been expended leaving $11,851.81. The market department has an unexpended balance of $1,303.64, out of an appropriation of $1,970, having expended only $666.36. For special accounts, including the hospital, military and library, $8,300 was appropriated; $4,007.14 has been expended, leaving a balance of $4,292.86. Under head of miscellaneous $4,100 was appropriated, $2,763.52 has been expended, the balance being $1,508.84. The appropriation was overdrawn $120.98 for legal expenses and $51.38 for surveys. Of the $38,500 set aside for the bond and interest account, $35,000 for coupons and $3,500 for sinking fund, $17,034.94 has been expended leaving a balance of $21,465.06.

The total amount appropriated for the year is $222,135; $109,856.55 has been expended, leaving a balance of $113,116.82. The total amount overdrawn was $838.37.

RURAL BUILDING & LOAN.

Mr. R. C. DeRosset Elected President at Meeting Yesterday.

The stockholders of the Rural Building & Loan Association held a special meeting in the office of the secretary and treasurer, Mr. James Owen Reilly, at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and elected Mr. Robert C. DeRosset president to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Roger Moore, resigned. Several new directors were also elected, the board now being composed of the following: Messrs. C. C. Chadbourn, A. O. McEachern, Marshall Shrier, J. A. McGeachy, B. O. Stone, A. G. Warren, John S. McEachern, Marsden Bellamy, H. F. Wilder, M. L. Starkey, and Dr. Thomas B. Carroll. Mr. J. Holmes Davis is vice president; Marsden Bellamy Esq., attorney, and Mr. James Owen Reilly secretary and treasurer of the organization. The stockholders consider themselves exceedingly fortunate in being able to secure Mr. DeRosset as president. He is a well known and progressive young business man and under his guidance the association should make even greater progress than at any time since it began business May 5th, 1905. The assets of the company now amount to more than $58,000. The 16th series will be opened Saturday, February 4th, 1911.

FINE ADDRESS LAST NIGHT.

Mr. B. F. Finney at St. James'—Tonight at Good Shepherd.

Mr. B. F. Finney, Southern field secretary of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, who was heard with such deep interest by the Brotherhood of St. John's Episcopal Church Wednesday night, met with the Brotherhood of St. James' church last night and delivered an interesting and instructive address. The attendance was large and interest keen.

There is much interest being manifested in the meeting of the laymen of the Church of the Good Shepherd at their hall on South Sixth street tonight to hear Mr. Finney. In June of this year a probationary chapter of the Brotherhood was formed at this church and a men's Bible class begun under the leadership of Mr. Virginius Hall, which is now a feature of the Sunday School. At the meeting tonight it is probable the probationary organization will be made permanent and a charter applied for. It is especially desired that all men of the congregation and those who are interested in the work at this Parish be present tonight at 8 o'clock.

TAKE CARE!

Remember that when your kidneys are affected, your life is in danger. M. Mayer, Rochester, N. Y., says: "My trouble started with a sharp shooting pain over my back which grew worse daily. I felt sluggish and tired, my kidney action was irregular and infrequent. I started using Foley Kidney Pills. Each dose seemed to put new life and strength into me, and now I am completely cured and feel better and stronger than for years." Robt. R. Bellamy.

WILL MANUFACTURE WAGONS.

Kidder Lumber Mill Plant Leased—Machinery Being Installed.

The plant of the Kidder Lumber Company, located on the water front near the foot of Kidder street, has been leased by Mr. Angus McNeill, a prominent business man of Georgia, and will be converted into a hardwood factory, the new machinery having already arrived and the work of installation will begin at once.

It is understood that various hardwood products will be manufactured, but the principal product will be wagons for export trade. The factory will employ about one hundred men and work will be started just as soon as the machinery can be installed.

Mr. McNeill has not waited to get his plant in operation to purchase material, but has secured options on extensive tracts of timber lands in this section and will experience no difficulty in getting all the raw material desired for a number of years to come.

While Wilmington has a number of factories and mills, little attention has been paid to the manufacture of hardwood products and it is hoped that the present venture will prove such a success that in a few years this city will become one of the leading hardwood manufacturing points in the State. There is plenty of timber available and so located that it can be placed at the factory much cheaper than many of the plans in Piedmont Carolina have to pay, and when it comes to freight rates, Wilmington again has a great advantage. A movement is now on foot to offer inducements to get manufacturing industries in Wilmington, and if there is any way to do so, remit the city tax for a certain period of years.

RELIGIOUS WORK OF Y. M. C. A.

Report of This Important Department For Month of November.

The report of the religious work department of the Y. M. C. A., of which Mr. K. W. Price is chairman, for the month of November makes a most excellent showing. In fact the report is so good that Mr. Hugh Cork, field worker of the International Sunday School Association, who was here a few days, stated that he did not know of better work being done anywhere in this department of the Y. M. C. A. than here in Wilmington, as indicated by the work in November.

Mr. H. G. Bowden, associate secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has general charge of the religious work of the association and he is naturally very much gratified at the work which is being done. The report for November is not an exceptionally good one for the local Y. M. C. A., being about an average for the year round. During the month a total of 62 meetings were held with a total attendance of 2,338. There were 16 meetings or Bible classes with a total attendance of 239. During the month the employed officers of the association filled and assisted in filling some of the city and county and church pulpits.

Mr. Byerly's Son Seriously Ill.

Friends in the city will regret to learn that Mr. C. O. Byerly, while in Pottsville, Pa., to attend the funeral of his father, who died several days ago, received a telegram conveying to him the distressing news that his son, Mr. Kenneth Byerly, was critically ill at Easton, Md. Mr. Byerly hastened to the bed side of his son and friends hope to hear more reassuring news from him soon.

MR. MURRAY KENAN DEAD.

Uncle of Mr. B. B. Pridgen, of This City, Passes Away.

Mr. B. B. Pridgen, of this city, received a message yesterday conveying to him the sad intelligence of the death of his uncle, Mr. Murphy Kenan, which occurred early yesterday morning at his home near Wallace, Pender county. Mr. Pridgen will leave this morning to attend the funeral services which will probably be held this afternoon. Mr. Kenan's death must have been very sudden for his relatives in this city had not received tidings of any recent illness. He was 78 years old and is survived by his wife and two sons, Mr. Alfred Kenan, of Pender county, and Mr. Joe Kenan, of Rocky Mount. Mr. Kenan was a Confederate veteran, serving throughout the war between the States. Practically all of his life was spent in Pender county, where he was an honored and respected farmer. He was a member of the Baptist church, holding his membership at Wells' Chapel.

FUNERAL OF MRS. WHITE.

Sad Services Held From the Late Residence Yesterday Morning.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth White, whose death occurred early Wednesday morning, was held from the family residence, No. 712 Orange street, at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, conducted by Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist church, of which the deceased was a consistent member for a number of years. Many relatives and friends were present to pay a last sad tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased and many beautiful floral designs bore silent testimony to the high esteem in which she was held in the community. Following the service at the church the body was tenderly borne to Oakdale cemetery, where the interment took place. The pall-bearers were Messrs. F. L. Huggins, H. Allen Huggins, Geo. H. Huggins, E. T. Huggins, W. A. Whitney and L. L. Whitney.

High School Day at the Bijou.

This is High School Day at the Bijou, the popular amusement retreat on North Front street, and friends of the High School Athletic Association, which will share in the receipts from the advanced sale of tickets, are asked to patronize the theatre very liberally today. Tickets are being sold by High School pupils and those expecting to visit the theatre today are asked to purchase their tickets from the school boys. The athletic association has incurred an indebtedness on account of small attendance at football games during the Fall and it is hoped that at least a portion of this amount may be liquidated from the receipts today.

Red Cross Pressing Club Assigns.

The Red Cross Pressing Club, of which Mr. C. H. Beardley was the proprietor, made an assignment yesterday morning, W. M. Bellamy, Esq., being named as trustee and directed to take charge of the business on North Front street and dispose of same to the best advantage, either at private or public sale. After paying the necessary expenses, including the commissions, the trustee is directed to distribute the balance pro rata among the credits. Mr. Beardsley asks for the exemption allowed by law.

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Assault on Wife Charged.

Frank Wilson, colored, for whom a warrant was issued a few days ago for assault with deadly weapon on his wife, yesterday morning gave himself up to Constable Savage. He was recognized for his appearance for trial before Justice Harriss at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. At that hour, K. C. Sidbury, Esq., counsel for Wilson's wife, asked for a continuance until today in order to give the prosecution time to summons an important witness. The continuance was granted and Wilson, who is a barber, was recognized for trial. He claims that his wife, who is a bright mulatto, is mentally unbalanced and that papers have been issued in another county for her admission to the State Hospital for Insane in Goldsboro.

Will Arrive Today for Beattie.

A physician and attendant of the King's Park State Hospital, near New York City, are now on their way to Wilmington and will arrive this morning to take back to the institution Hans S. Beattie, a white man, who escaped about two weeks ago and was arrested in this city Wednesday. Sheriff Cowan received a telegram yesterday stating that they were in Washington and would arrive here this morning.

Married in Kansas City.

Friends in this city have been apprised of the marriage of Mrs. Mamie V. Jones, of Wilmington, and Mr. Elmer E. Huss, of Savonburg, Kansas, which took place in the parlors of the New Albany Hotel, Kansas City, the afternoon of December 7th. A number of friends witnessed the nuptial event. Mr. and Mrs. Huss will reside in Kansas.

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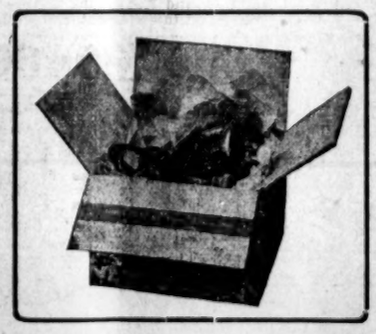

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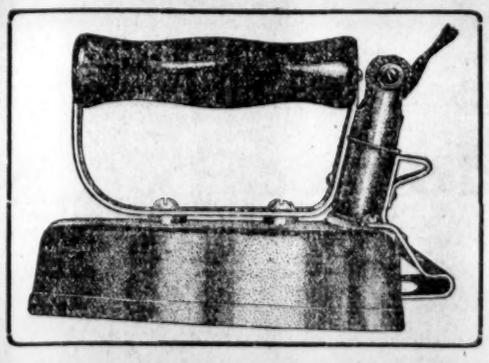

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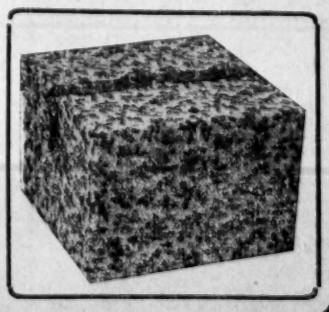

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, Etc.

Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Rivenbark, of Burgaw, spent the day in the city yesterday.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Register, of Fayetteville, arrived yesterday on the steamer City of Fayetteville to spend a few days in the city.

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Mr. and Mrs. Warren Delano arrived in the city yesterday and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Delano, on corner of Second and Nun streets.

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The "moonlight" dance given by Prof. J. F. Kneisel in the Masonic Temple Ball room last night was attended by about 25 couples and proved a very enjoyable affair.

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Friends will be interested to know that Miss Sadie Jones has arrived to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones, at their country estate "Airlie-on-the-Sound."

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A sale of neckwear and a beautiful variety of fancy articles will be held at the home of Miss Lydia Yates, No. 110 North Fourth street, this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock under the auspices of the State Normal Alumnae Association, of this city.

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The Saturday Evening German Club will not hold any more dances until after the Christmas holidays, as there are to be several big dances during the gladsome season. Immediately following the holidays dances will be given every Saturday night as usual.

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The local department of the Woman's Home Mission Society of Grace Methodist Church will hold its Christmas sale of fancy articles at the residence of Mrs. W. B. Cooper, No. 207 North Fifth street, this afternoon, beginning at 3:30 o'clock. The ladies of the city are cordially invited to attend.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. S. P. McNair returned home yesterday from a short visit to Tar Heel.

—Ex-sheriff C. W. Lyon, of Kelly's Cove, was among the passengers yesterday on the steamer City of Fayetteville.

—The condition of Capt. Geo. W. Smith who is critically ill at Dr. Harper's Sanitarium, was not improved yesterday and there is little hope for his recovery.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Members of the central fire station on Fourth street would be glad if the owner of a fox terrior, which has been taken up there., will call for his property.

—The British steamer Tennyson arrived light yesterday from Jamaca to receive a cargo of gum logs from the Acme Tea Chest Company. The vessel comes to Heide & Co.

—Mr. P. C. White, the new manager of the local office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, arrived yesterday from Birmingham, Ala., where he has been making his home for some time, and has assumed his new duties. Mr. E. T. Moore, the retiring manager, will not leave for his new position in Richmond, Va., for several days yet. Mr. White is a former Wilmingtonian and has been warmly greete by his many friends here.

—An exciting run-away occurred on Market street about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A man, whose name was not learned, had just crossed the ferry in a buggy to which was attached a horse. The buggy was left for a moment and the animal took fright and ran up the street at break-neck speed. In front of Schloss & Davis' liver stables, on Market, near Second, the run-away team ran into a wagon and both vehicles were badly damaged. No one was injured.

DIED IN SAVANNAH, GA.

Mr. Herbert M. Woodcock Passed Away Wednesday Afternoon.

Mr. Herbert M. Woodcock, a former resident of Wilmington, passed away at his home in Savannah, Ga., Wednesday afternoon, many friends in this city will be pained to learn. He resided in this city until a few years ago. He is survived by his wife and five children; his mother, Mrs. R. C. Woodcock, of Wilmington; two brothers, Mr. P. C. Woodcock, of Savannah, Ga., and Mr. P. W. Woodcock, of Wilmington, and one sister, Mrs. J. Frank Stanland, of this city. The bereaved will have the sympathy of a great many friends.

Charged With Stealing Ring.

A case against Wm. Watters, a white man, charged with the larceny of a ring from Stacy McNeill, colored, was called in Justice Harriss' court yesterday, but was continued until Monday at 11 o'clock, the defendant being recognized for his appearance at trial. Watters was arrested by Constable Savage. Hon. John D. Bellamy will represent the defendant and Walter P. Gafford, Esq., the prosecution.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 15.—Air conditions prevented the opening flights in the aviation meeting inaugurated here today under the auspices of the Atlanta Journal. Jimmy Ward the only one of the bird men to mount into the air, made two attempts, but finally reported that the upper currents were dangerous and the day's programme was called off.

"You'll Like Blue Ribbon."

Ask your grocer for Blue Ribbon Vanilla and Lemon Extracts for your holiday desserts. Pure, Strong, Delicious.

Theatrical

Frederick the Great.

Tomorrow the Academy of Music will have open house, because a fine attraction will be offered for both matinee and night. The attraction, too, will be decidedly out of the ordinary, away from any other attraction of the present season. It will be the first appearance in Wilmington of Frederick the Great, who has the reputation of being the equal of the great Herrman and Keller. It has been several years since any of the masters of magic and stars of what is mysterious journey to Wilmington; hence, so the appearance here tomorrow of Frederick the Great should prove exceptionally strong and will, no doubt, draw two large audiences. The attraction carries an immense amount of scenery and mechanical effects, which will be used in making the production. There are many startling illusions that require an immense amount of scenery and electrical devices and it requires five hours to get all the scenery in place before the performance commences. Frederick is using several of the latest and most stupendous magical novelties invented by Herrman and which have never before been produced. These illusions are weird and really wonderful. Besides Frederick the Great a vaudeville bill of high excellence will be offered.

The prices for the matinee have been made of the popular type, being 25 and 50 cents, with no reserved seats. For night the scale will run to $1, but the top price will only apply to box seats. Reserved seats down stairs and for the first three rows in the balcony will be 75 cents.

The Orphean Male Quartete.

Placards announcing the coming of the Orphean Male Quartette were placed in conspicious places about town yesterday. Of this quartette Mr. R. W. Gammon, platform manager of Colorado Chautauqua says; "The Orphean Musical Club has finished a week's engagement at the Colorado Chautauqua, Boulder, Aug. 10, 1908. During this week they appeared upon the platform twice a day. No more popular musical club has appeared here in the last two years. Every member of the club is a gentleman, and a master of his art. The repertoire of the club was full, varied and pleasing. Their funny songs are of the very best quality, and they render sacred music so that it appeals to a popular audience. The club came to us with the highest recommendations, and their week's work sustained the recommendations in every particular."

The Jackson Daily Whig had the following: "The Orphean Musical Club is the best quartette ever heard in Jackson, and scored repeated successes in their concerts yesterday afternoon and last night. They received encore after encore, and the audience was loath to see them leave the stage."

This seems to be the report from all parts of the country where they have appeared and the Boys' Brigade management considers itself fortunate in being able to present such a strong number to its patrons. This number will be presented next Wednesday night, December 21st, at 8:30 o'clock. Reserved seats will be on sale at Dosher Bros. next Tuesday and Wednesday.

At the Bijou Today.

The Bijou offers three splendid pictures as the programme today. "The Masher," "A Lucky Toothache" and "The Last of the Saxons" are the titles of the pictures. In the first named poor Hiram is the victim of circumstances; the second ends in a marriage and the third is a historical drama embodying a love story. This is High School Day at the Bijou.

At Joyland.

The feature picture at Joyland today will be "A Woman's Better Motive." This picture is a Western drama with a beautiful love story interwoven. "The Sunday Edition," is a comedy which will not fail to provoke laughter. Today from 4:30 to 6 P. M. the management will give away three boxes of chocolates to those holding the lucky numbers.

The Crystal Palace.

The bill at the Crystal Palace continues to draw large and well pleased audiences. The mid-week change of programme went in effect yesterday and the several performances were witnessed by a large number of the patrons of the retreat who were well pleased with the offering.

OLD-TIME ACTOR PASSES.

Alexander Daymond Died at Jamaica Plain Yesterday.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 15.—The death of Alexander Daymond, an old-time actor, at his home in Jamaica is announced. Daymond under the stage name of Sydney Alexander, was a member of Edwin Booths Company, and supported by Kate Claxton in "the two orphans."

He was born in St. Johns, N. J., in 1847.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 15.—Star Pointer, the famous pacer 1:59 1-4 and with a record of 2:00 1-2 died late yesterday at Rosewood stock farm, Maury county, Tennessee. He was 21 years old and was owned by J. A. Murphy, of New York. The hide will be taken off and with the bones, sent to the University of Chicago.

Wants to Help Some One.

For thirty years J. F. Boyer, of Fertile, Mo., needed help and couldn't find it. That's why he wants to help some one now. Suffering so long himself he feels for all distress from backache, nervousness, loss of appetite, lassitude and kidney disorders. He shows that Electric Bitters work wonders for such troubles. "Five bottles," he writes, "wholly cured me and now I am well and hearty." It's also positively guaranteed for liver trouble, Dyspepsia, blood disorders, female complaints and malaria. Try them. 50c at Robt. R. Bellamy's.

Foley Kidney Pills

What They Will Do for You

They will cure your backache, strengthen your kidneys, correct urinary irregularities, build up the worn out tissues, and eliminate the excess uric acid that causes rheumatism. Prevent Bright's Disease and Diabates, and restore health and strength. Refuse substitutes.

ROBERT R. BELLAMY

HESTER'S COTTON REPORT.

Statement of Weights and Movement. Given by States.

New Orleans, Dec. 15.—Secretary Hester issued tonight a statement of weights of 4,746,496 bales of cotton handled at outports and across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers over land to American manufacturing, outside of the cotton belt during the months of September to November, accumulative, showing an average per bale of 519.50 pounds against 512.35 pounds for the same period last year.

Detailed averages are: Texas 531.61, against 519.42 last year; Louisiana 521.64 against 512.50 last year; Alabama 530.93 against 515.82; Georgia 510.50 against 510.26; South Carolina 495 against 495; North Carolina 492 against 499; Virginia 490 against 500; Tennessee, etc., 530.63 against 514.16 last year.

These averages are based on official returns of the secretaries and superintendents of the exchanges and exports at the ports in the States named. The Memphis average has been revised by the Memphis cotton exchange.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY WINS.

Decision Regarding Carrying Whiskey in Local Option Territory.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 15.—The Kentucky Court of Appeals today directed the case of the Commonwealth versus the Southern Railway that if a railway company carries whiskey into a local option district as baggage and without receiving and pay other than the price of the passenger's ticket no indictment can be returned for shipping whiskey into local option territory.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 15.—Today's tobacco sales of 290,000 pounds carried the total for the week to date over one million pounds. The top price realized today was $32.50 per hundred on a carload consignment of bright wrappers. All offerings were quickly purchased for manufacturers.

"WHICH FAT?"

Any product which contains hog fat is subject to the taint or possibility of disease germs. Lard is made from hog fat—it may be pure and it may not. At any rate, it is at best indigestible, and will raise havoc with any but the hardiest stomach.

Cottolene is a vegetable product, which is far superior to lard for all shortening and frying purposes. It is an absolutely pure and healthful fat made from cotton oil.

Cottolene is a product of nature and is bound to be wholesome. It is the one dependable, healthful product for frying and shortening, and is carefully inspected and made to conform with all pure food laws.

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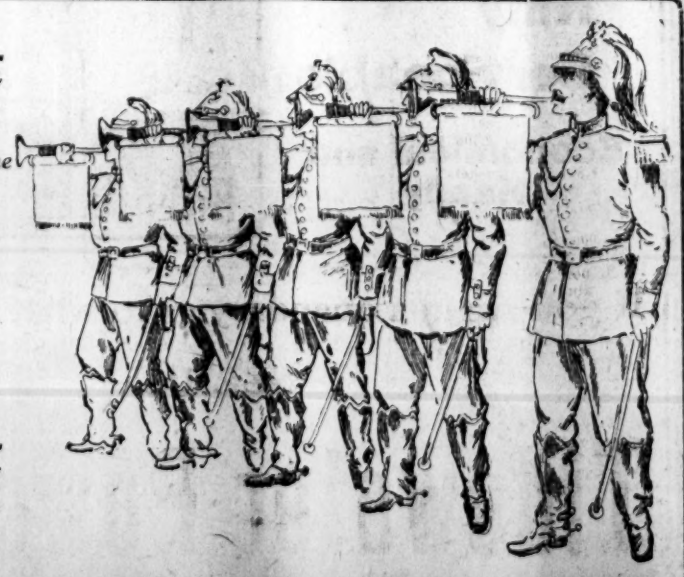

Christmas Land

AT POLVOGT'S

Department Store and Annex

THE WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS SHOW IS NOW READY!

FINER THAN EVER, OF COURSE, WOULD'N T THINK WE WERE KEEPING GOOD STORE IF THAT WASN'T TRUE, AND WHAT A GLORIOUS SHOW OF ATTRACTIVE CHRISTMAS BEAUTY IT IS. ABOUT EVERYTHING REALLY WORTHY IN HOLIDAY WARES FROM THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE WORLD IS HERE. ALL BUT—AND THIS IS TREMENDOUSLY IMPORTANT—ALL BUT THE CHEAPLY MADE NOVELTIES AND THE FLIMSILY CONSTRUCTED THINGS CREATED ONLY FOR SHOW, NONE OF THOSE EXTRAVAGANT PURSE DRAWERS AT THIS STORE. JUST A GREAT BIG, ROYALLY GENEROUS GATHERING OF REALLY BEAUTIFUL, RARELY SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS, THE ONLY SORTS FOR WISE FOLKS TO SELECT. AND THE PRICE STORY; IT'S PERSISTENTLY FAIR AND PERPETUALLY MODEST, WHEN TOLD OF MERCHANDISE THAT BEARS THE POLVOGT STAMP OF STERLING WORTH AND GOODNESS—DON'T FORGET THAT.

Christmas SPECIALS

From Santa Claus' Work Shop

Mechanical Toys, 50c, 75c and	$1.00
Tin Kitchens, 25c, 50c and	$1.00
Horse and Carts, 75c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Furniture Sets, 25c, 50c and	75c
Beds, 25c, 50c and	$1.00
Iron Stoves, 50c, 75c and	$1.00
Ten Pins, 50c and	$1.00
Pianos, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Horns and Trumpets, 5c, 25c and	50c
Nested Blocks, 10c, 25c and	50c
Air Rifles, 50c to	$2.75
Xmas Tree Candles, 10c and	15c
Rubber Balls, 10c, 25c and	50c
Trunks, 25c, 50c and	$1.00
Boats, 25c and	50c
Tea Sets, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Slates, 10c, 15c and	25c

Umbrellas for Holiday Gifts!

Some umbrellas shed the rain alright, but they are so poorly made that the first wetting rots the fabric and rusts the frame. These are the other kind, the fabric wears and the metal parts will not rust. Fine handles, fair prices.

The Best Umbrella in the World for.....$1.00

Made of superior taffeta on strong lock paragon frames with case and tassel. There is a great variety of pretty handles. They are in sizes for men, women and children.

Men's and Women's Umbrellas at $1.25, $1.98 and $2.49.

Made of fine union taffeta silk with tape edge; paragon frame and steel rods, case. A wonderful diversity of pretty handles.

Fine Silk Umbrellas at $2.50, $2.75 and $3.50.

Made of excellent quality pure silk and union taffeta silk with tape edge, lock paragon frames, steel rods and case and tassel. Many handsome handles.

Finest Pure Silk Umbrellas at $3.95, $5.00, $5.50 and $6.50.

Finest quality tape edge ;lock paragon frame with strong steel rods and case and tassel. Very beautiful handles for men and women.

HOSE.

Hose bought for gifts that do not prove to be the proper size will be exchanged after the holiday, this makes it safe to choose them here where qualities are the most dependable and prices always persistently modest.

Ladies' gauze Lisle, silk finish, per pair.....25c
Ladies' extra fine Lisle thread Hose, put up three to the box for.....$1.00
Ladies' cotton Hose, warranted to wear, extra heavy.....25c
Ladies' Silk Hose, black and all shades, $1.25 and.....$1.75
Children's fine ribbed Hose, all sizes, 25c values, per pair.....16 2-3c
Children's extra fine quality lisle Hose, all sizes, per pair.....25c
Boys' extra heavy school Hose, warranted to wear, fast black.....25c
Ladies' Lisle thread and open work hose, extra high grade, per pair.....50c

HANDKERCHIEFS for Presents

Largest and Most Complete Assortment Ever Shown in Wilmington.

Truly a dainty gift, one you may make as elaborate as your taste ditcates, or as simply severe, but, no matter whether you choose a plain handkerchief at a dime, or a real lace affair that costs several dollars, you cannot fail to obtain rich and generous return for your money.

Children's Handkerchiefs put up three to a box, colored borders.....15c
Children's plain hemstitched Handkerchiefs, initial, three to a box. Christmas price, a box.....19c
Ladies' checked lawn Handkerchiefs, embroidered corners, a 25c value. Christmas price, each 12 1-2c
Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, three to a box, for Christmas gifts.....75c
Ladies' linen embroidered Handkerchiefs, six to a box for Christmas gifts, a box.....$1.25
Ladies' all linen embroidered Handkerchiefs, each 50c, 75c, $1.00 and.....$1.50
Gents' Handkerchiefs, initial, all linen, six to a box, Christmas price, a box.....$1.50
Gents' cotton hemstitched Handkerchiefs each 5c and.....10c
Gents' plain all linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, use as Christmas gift, each 15c and.....25c

All Leather Suit Case, 24-inch, a $6.50 value, special.....$5.00
Ladies' Hand Bag, brass framed, made of alligator skin, special.....$3.50
Ladies' Shopping Bags, black and brown leather, $1.00, $1.50, $2.50 and.....$3.50
Gents' and Ladies' Traveling Bags, solid leather, kid lined, 12 to 18 inch, $3.50 to.....$6.00
Bellows Suit Case, all leather, very handsome, 24 and 26 inch, $10.00 and.....$12.50
Fine Leather Hand Purses for ladies, each..$1.75

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FINANCIAL and COMMERCIAL

A GOOD DEMAND FOR COTTON

Close Barely Steady Net Unchanged to Four Points Lower—Realizing in Evidence During Yesterday's Trading.

New York, Dec. 15.—Realizing was again very much in evidence during today's trading in the cotton market, but there was also a good demand inspired apparently by bullish spot news of ginning reports and offerings were well absorbed. The close was barely steady net unchanged to four points lower.

The market opened steady at the decline of three points to an advance of five points, near months being relatively easy in response to disappointing Liverpool futures, while later positions reflected a renewal of yesterday's buying movement. While the English contract market was a little under expectations and prive cables said that it looked tired, the Liverpool spot sales were large and private cables claimed that the inside crop was still deteriorating. These advices may have inspired some buying here, but after working up a point or two from the opening prices gradually eased off under heavy realizing and local selling. Offerings became smaller around 15.36 for May or about five points net lower, and the market had quite a sharp rally during the early afternoon following reports that the National Ginners' Association estimated the amount of cotton ginned to December 13th at only 10,615,000 bales.

Prices made new high ground for the day on this movement; May reaching 15.46 or within four points of the high record for the season, while the general list showed a net advance of from three to five points. Offerings became very heavy on the bulge, however, with some of the leading bulls supposed to be selling freely for the purpose of taking profits and in the last hour prices eased off from the best closing generally two to four points net lower.

In addition to the reports as to the National Ginning figures very bullish private reports were received, one a Wall street house publishing the results of a Southern canvass indicating less than 5 per cent. of the crop remaining unginned on December 13th.

Southern spot markets were unchanged to 1-8c higher. Exports continued very heavy and now are about 400,000 bales ahead of last year.

Receipts at the ports today 80,665 bales against 3,230 last week and 24,243 last year; for the week 375,000 against 396,715 last week and 205,441 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 18,751 against 4,620 last year. Spot closed steady five points higher; middling uplands 15.20; middling gulf 15.45; sales 10,120 bales.

Futures opened steady and closed barely steady.

	Open	High	Low	Close
December	14.87	14.90	14.82	14.83
January	14.90	14.93	14.87	14.89
February				15.02
March	15.21	15.26	15.16	15.18
April				15.27
May	15.44	15.46	15.36	15.38
June	15.46	15.46	15.46	15.38
July	15.45	15.47	15.37	15.39
August	15.09	15.11	15.03	15.05
September	14.40			
October	13.69	13.74	13.64	13.70

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 15; net receipts 17,983; gross receipts 17,983; sales 3,370; stock 217,126; Continent 22,108; coastwise 3,062.

New Orleans—Firm, 14 7-8; net receipts 18,751; gross receipts 18,751; sales 3,150; stock 219,988; Great Britain 55,210; France 5,970; Continent 250.

Mobile—Steady, 14 15-16; net receipts 2,131; gross receipts 2,131; sales 2,000; stock 80,071; coastwise 11.

Savannah—Firm, 14 5-8; net receipts 9,689; gross receipts 9,689; sales 4,876; stock 189,890; coastwise 3,550.

Charleston—Firm, 14 5-8; net receipts 845; gross receipts 845; sales 200; stock 39,849.

Wilmington—Quiet, 14 5-8; net receipts 738; gross receipts 738; stock 13,544; coastwise 5,932.

Norfolk—Steady, 14 15-16; net receipts 3,228; gross receipts 3,228; sales 1,250; stock 30,157; coastwise 5,932.

Baltimore—Nominal, 14 7-8; stock 15,133.

New York—Steady, 15.20; net receipts 100; gross receipts 5,995; sales 10,120; stock 250,047; France 250; coastwise 2,356.

Boston—Quiet, 15.20; net receipts 262; gross receipts 3,251; stock 12,985; Great Britain 4,626.

Philadelphia—Steady, 15.45; gross receipts 200; stock 4,300.

Port Townsend—Net receipts 3,860; gross receipts 3,860.

San Francisco—Net receipts 8,097; gross receipts 8,097.

Brunswick—Net receipts 7,681; gross receipts 7,681; Continent 7,681.

Port Arthur—Net receipts 6,700; gross receipts 6,700; France 6,700.

Minor Ports—Stock 6,295.

Total today, at all ports, net 80,665; Great Britain 50,836; France 12,920; Continent 30,059; Japan 12,557; stock 1,079,123.

Consolidated, at all ports, net 364,199; Great Britain 150,301; France 32,719; Continent 100,440; Japan 12,557.

Total since Sept. 1st, at all ports net 5,279,314; Great Britain 1,867,567; France 440,048; Continent 1,389,217; Japan 48,185; Mexico 500.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Steady, 15; net receipts 10,779; gross receipts 10,779; shipments 11,628; sales 4,263; stock 130,783.

Augusta—Steady, 14 15-16; net receipts 1,377; gross receipts 1,500; shipments 380; sales 6,471; stock 97,573.

Memphis—Firm, 15 3-8; net receipts 4,669; gross receipts 7,548; shipments 5,396; sales 6,500; stock 209,485.

St. Louis—Quiet, 15 7-16; net receipts 894; gross receipts 6,400; shipments 5,506; sales 379; stock 20,719.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 2,022; gross receipts 2,022; shipments 417; stock 15,141.

Little Rock—Steady, 14 7-8; net receipts 1,448; gross receipts 1,448; shipments 627; stock 48,954.

Louisville—Firm, 15 3-8.

Total today—Net receipts 21,189; gross receipts 29,697; shipments 24,154; sales 17,613; stock 522,555.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 15.—Turpentine firm.

Savannah, Dec. 15.—Turpentine firm 74 1-2 to 74 3-4; sales 362; receipts 270; shipments 730; stock 15,941. Rosin firm; sales 2,619; receipts 1,951; shipments 4,911; stock 75,296. Quote: B, 5.70; D, 5.72 1-2; E, 5.75; F, 5.80; G, 5.82 1-2 to 5.85; H, 5.87 1-2; I, 6.07 1-2; K, 6.75; M, 7.20; N, 7.50; WG, 7.65; WW, 7.75.

Charleston, Dec. 15.—Turpentine firm 74 1-4 to 74 1-2; sales 30 casks. Rosin firm; sales 220 barrels. Quote: A B C, 5.67 1-2; D, 5.67 1-2; E, 5.70; F, 5.75 to 5.82 1-2; G, 5.77 1-2 to 5.85; H, 5.87 1-2 to 5.95; I, 6.07 1-2; K, 6.75; M, 7.20; N, 7.40; WG, 7.55; WW, 7.70.

PEANUTS.

(Reported by Rogers, MacCabe & Co.)

Spanish—Firm at $1.10 per bushel.

Virginias—Firm, fancy hand picked 3 1-4c to 3 1-2c; machine picked 2 3-4c to 3c; shelling stock 2c to 2 1-2c.

MARINE

ARRIVED.

Br. str. Tennyson, 1,315 tons, Williams, Jamaica, Heide & Co.

Str. City of Fayetteville, Edge, Fayetteville, C. P. Love.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

Foxton Hall (Br.) 2,734 tons, Kelvert, Seaboard Air Line.

Kilsyth, (Br.) 2,382 tons, Smith, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

St. Jerome (Br.) 2,025 tons, Hallam, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Pokanhall (Br.) 2,597 tons, Vass, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Gretavale (Br.) 1,678 tons, Macmillan, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

E. Russ (Ger.) 1,456 tons, Paulsen, Heide & Co.

Kriphia (Ger.) 1,289 tons, Bellman, Heide & Co.

Kalunga (Br.) 2,100 tons, Plomer, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Tennyson (Br.) 1,315 tons, Williams, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Blanche (Br.) 165 tons, Albury, C. D. Maffitt.

F. & T. Lupton, 797 tons, Longstreet, C. D. Maffitt.

Francis V. Sawyer, 324 tons, Dobbin, C. D. Maffitt.

Edwina, 398 tons, Smith, C. D. Maffitt.

Barques.

Caithness-shire (Br.) 1,525 tons, Halford, C. D. Maffitt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 15, 1910.

Atlantic Coast Line—738 bales cotton; 12 casks spirits turpentine; 160 barrels rosin; 136 barrels tar; 12 barrels crude turpentine.

Schr. Shallotte—8 casks spirits turpentine; 54 barrels rosin.

Total—738 bales cotton; 20 casks spirits turpentine; 214 barrels rosin; 136 barrels tar; 12 barrels crude turpentine.

THE PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 15.—Flour quiet and about steady.

Rye Flour—Firm.

Buckwheat Flour—Dull.

Buckwheat and Cornmeal—Steady.

Rye—Dull.

Barley—Firm.

Wheat—Spot steady, No. 2 red 98 3-8 elevator and f. o. b. afloat. Futures closed 7-8 to 1 1-4 cent net lower. December 97 1-4;; May 1.02 3-4; July 1.09 1-2.

Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 new 54 1-2, spot f. o. b. afloat. Futures closed unchanged to 1-4c advance. December 55; May 56.

Oats—Steady. Futures closed 1-8c lower to 1-4 higher. December 38 1-4; May 40; July 40.

Lard—Steady.

Tallow—Quiet.

Petroleum and Rosin—Steady.

Molasses—Firm.

Rice—Steady.

Sugar—Raw firm; refined steady.

Coffee—Futures closed steady at a net loss of 5 to 25 points. Spot quiet; Rio No. 7, 13 1-2; Santos No. 4, 13 7-8. Mild coffee quiet; Cordova 13 3-4 to 15 3-4.

Butter—Firm, creamery specials 32 to 32 1-2; extra 31.

Cheese—Steady, unchanged.

Eggs—Easier; state, Pennsylvania and nearby hennery, white fancy 53 to 55; do hennery brown, fancy 44 to 45.

Potatoes—Steady, Maine per bag 75c to 1.60.

Cabbages—Steady, unchanged.

Freights and Peanuts—Unchanged.

Cotton seed oil was dull and featureless in absence of demand for real oil. Trading was of the local professional sort. Futures closed one point lower to two points higher. December 7.12 to 7.15; January 7.15 to 7.15; February 7.18 to 7.22; March 7.25 to 7.26; April 7.29 to 7.31. Prime crude 6.20; prime summer yellow 7.10 to 7.15; prime winter yellow 7.25 to 8.15; prime summer white 7.25 to 8.00.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady 73 3-4 cents.

ROSIN—Steady, $5.25 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Firm, $2.50 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market, firm $4.50 per barrel for hard; $6.00 for dip and $6.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm 52 1-2; rosin nothing doing; tar, $2.00; crude turpentine; firm $2.50, $4.00 and $4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	20
Rosin	274
Tar	136
Crude Turpentine	12

Receipts, same day last year (—) casks spirits turpentine; (—) barrels rosin; 177 barrels tar; 83 barrels crude tudpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Quiet, 14 5-8 cents for middling. Same day last year, 14 1-4 cents.

Receipts 738 bales, same day last year 1,853 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 10th.)

PEANUTS—Virginias, extra prime 70 cents, fancy 75 cents. Spanish from $1.05 to $1.15 cents. North Carolina, No. 1, 90 to 95 cents per bushel. New crop.

CORN—Firm, 70c per bushel.

N. C. HAMS—Good demand; hams 22; shoulders 17 to 18 cents and side 17 to 18c.

EGGS—Good demand, 27 cents.

CHICKENS—Spring 25 to 40; grown, 45 and 50 cents, dull.

BEESWAX—Firm 27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2 to 5c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 45 to 50 cents per bushel.

HIDES—Dr. flint 13c; green 7c per pound.

WOOL—Burr 12 to 15c; free of burr 18 to 20c.

GEESE—60 cents per head.

PORK—9 to 10 cents, net.

SHEEP—No demand.

LAMB—$1.00 to $2.50.

PEAS—White peas, $2.50 to $2.75.

IRISH POTATOES—New crop 80 to 90 cents, dull.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 15.—Money on call steady 3 1-4 to 3 1-2; ruling rate 3 3-4, closing bid 3 1-4, offered at 3 3-8. Time loans dull; sixty days and ninety days 3 3-4 to 4 per cent. Six months 3 3-4 to 4.

Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8230 to 4.8260 for sixty day bills and at 4.8540 for demand. Commercial bills 4.81 3-4 to 4.82 1-4. Bar silver 54 1-8. Mexican dollars 45.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 15.—The dry goods primary markets are generally quiet. Dress goods are in better call from cutters. Cotton goods are held steady and considerable business is being declined at low prices. Raw silk is firm. Yarns rule dull.

DEMAND FOR BONDS FEATURE

Sales of These Issues Largest in Recent History of Stock Market—Central of Georgia Stock Active and Strong.

New York, Dec. 15.—The most salient feature of today's market for securities was the greater breadth and better demand for bonds. Sales of these issues were the largest in the recent history of the stock exhange and a correspondingly improved tone was reported in direct sales by bankers. This movement confirms the increasing belief that the year end disbursements of interest and dividends are being anticipated by many investors.

There is a disposition to attribute the improvement to yesterday's decision by the Georgia court favoring the income bond holders of the Central of Georgia Railroad. The issues of this road were again very active and strong today, but the movement as a whole was fairly uniform and imparted confidence in many quarters where that feeling had recently been lacking. Further improvement was shown in stocks during the early part of the season but later in the day almost all of the early gains were wiped out.

Overnight developments were of an adverse or negative character. The failure of the Bank of England to reduce its discount rate gave rise to some disappointment.

Another adverse feature was the news from Washington that the Department of Justice contemplates taking action against the so-called electric trust. Stocks that are supposed to come under that head held firm, however, General Electric in particular displaying marked strength. Coal stocks were inclined to greater strength at the outset and gossip was again busy with the rumor that action looking to an increase of the present dividend on Lehigh Valley is likely to be taken before the end of the month.

That an acute state seems to have been reached in the Western railroad labor situation may be gathered from the report that the managers of the Western railroads are soon to have appealed to the government at Washington to avert the threatened strike of the engineers. Over three score railroads and 31,00 employes are involved in matters at issue.

Bonds were firm throughout. Total sales par value $3,007,000. United States bonds were unchanged. Total sales 286,200 shares.

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. ref 2s reg	100 3-4
U. S. ref 2s coup	100 3-4
U. S. 3s registered	102
U. S. 3s coupon	102
U. S. 4s registered	115 1-2
U. S. 4s coupon	115 1-2
Allis Chalmers 1st 5s	76 3-4
American Agricultural 5s	102 1-4
American Tel. & Tel cv 4s	101 1-8
American Tobacco 4s	80 1-8
American Tobacco 6s	105 3-4
Armour & Co. 4 1-2s	91 7-8
Atchison gen 4s	98 5-8
Atchison cv 4s	105
Atchison cv 5s	108 1-2
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	95
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	98 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio 3 1-2s	92 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio S. W. 31-2s	90 1-4
Brooklyn Transit cv 4s	82 1-2
Central of Georgia 5s	107 1-2
Central Leather 5s	90 1-8
Central R. R. of N. J. gen 5s	122
Chesapeake & Ohio 4 1-2s	101
Chesapeake & Ohio ref 5s	94 1-4
Chicago & Alton 3 1-2s	70
Chicago & Alton 5s	95 1-2
Chi. B. & Quincy joint 4s	96
Chi. B. & Quincy gen 4s	97
Chi., Mil. & St. P. gen 3 1-2s	92 7-8
Chi., R. I. & Pac. R. R. col 4s	75
Chi., R. I. & Pacff Ry. ctf 4s	80 1-4
Colorado Industrial 5s	75
Colorado Midland 4s	65
Colo. & Southern ref & ext 4 1-2s	97 3-8
Delaware & Hudson cv 4s	98 1-4
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	93
Denver & Rio Grande ref 5s	89 3-4
Distillers 5s	74
Erie prior lien 4s	84
Erie gen 4s	75
Erie cv 4s series 'A'	73
Erie cv 4s series 'B'	99 1-4
General Electric 1st ref 5s	97 1-4
Interborough Met. 4 1-2s	79 5-8
Inter Merc. Marine 4 1-2s	83 1-2
Japan 4s	88 7-8
Japan 4 1-2s	91 3-4
Kansas City Southern 1st 3s	73 1-2
Lake Shore deb 4s (1931)	93 1-8
Louisville & Nashville Un. 4s	90 1-2
Mo., Kan. & Texas 1st 4s	97 1-2
Mo., Kan. & Texas gen 4 1-2s	85
Missouri Pacific 4s	70 1-2
Nat. Rys. of Mexico 4 1-2s	94 5-8
New York Central gen 3 1-2s	89 1-2
New York Central deb 4s	93 5-8
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford cv 6s	133 3-8
Norfolk & Western 1st con 4s	98 3-4
Norfolk & Western cv 4s	100 3-8
Northern Pacific 4s	100
Northern Pacific 3s	70 5-8
Oregon Short Line rfdg 4s	93
Penn. cv 3 1-2s (1915)	90
Penn. Con 4s	103 1-2
Reading gen 4s	98
St. Louis & San Fran. fg 4s	81
St. L. & San Fran. gen 6s	86 1-4
St. Louis Southwestern con 4s	75
St Louis S western 1st gold 4s	91 1-2
Seaboard Air Line 4s	76 1-4
Southern Pacific col 4s	92
Southern Pacific cv 4s	96 5-8
Southern Pacific R. R. 1st ref 4s	93 7-8
Southern Railway 5s	107 5-8
Southern Railway gen 4s	75 7-8
Union Pacific 4s	100 1-2
Union Pacific cv 4s	103 5-8
Union Pacific 1st & ref 4s	96 3-4
U. S. Rubber 6s	102 3-4
U. S. Steel 2nd 5s	105 1-2
Virginia Ctralina Chemical 5s	100
Wabash 1st 5s	108 1-2
Wabash 1st & ext 4s	83 3-4
Western Maryland 4s	86 1-2
Westinghouse Electric cv 5s	92 1-4
Wisconsin Central 4s	92 3-4

Closing Stock List.

Allis Chalmers pfd	29
Amalgamated Copper	63 1-2
American Agricultural	46 7-8
American Beet Sugar	30 1-4
American Can	9
American Car & Foundry	49 1-2
American Cotton Oil	58
American Hide & Leather pfd	20
American Ice Securities	27
American Linseed	11
American Locomotive	35
Amr. Smelting & Ref	73 7-8
Amr. Smelting & Ref pfd	101 1-4
American Steel Foundries	42
American Sugar Refining	114
American Tel. & Tel	141 1-2
American Tobacco pfd	93
American Woolen	31 1-2
Anaconda Mining Co	39 1-2
Atchison	100 3-4
Atchison pfd	101 3-4
Atlantic Coast Line	118
Baltimore & Ohio	105 7-8
Bethlehem Steel	28 1-8
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	75
Canadian Pacific	193
Central Leather	30 1-2
Central Leather pfd	102 7-8
Central of New Jersey	270
Chesapeake & Ohio	80 1-8
Chicago & Alton	30
Chicago Great Western	23
Chicago Great Western 1fd	44 3-4
Chicago & North Western	143 1-2
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	122 7-8
C., C. C. & St. Louis	85
Colorado Fuel & Iron	31 1-4
Colorado & Southern	31 3-4
Consolidated Gas	133
Corn Products	14 7-8
Delaware & Hudson	165
Denver & Rio Grande	28
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	60 1-4
Distillers' Securities	32
Erie	27 1-4
Erie 1st pfd	44 1-2
Erie 2nd pfd	36
General Electric	154
Great Northern pfd	123
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	55 1-2
Illinois Central	130
Interborough Met.	20
Interborough Met. pfd	54 5-8
Inter Harvester	111
Inter Marine pfd	15 1-2
International Paper	13
International Pump	40 1-4
Iowa Central	18
Kansas City Southern	30 1-4
Kansas City Southern pfd	64 3-4
Laclede Gas	104 1-4
Louisville & Nashville	142 1-2
Minneapolis & St. Louis	25
Minn., St. P. & Sault St. M.	129
Mo. Kansas & Texas	31
Mo., Kansas & Texas pfd	61 1-2
Missouri Pacific	45 1-2
National Biscuit	112
National Lead	52 1-2
Nat. Rys. of Mexico 2nd pfd	33
New York Central	112 1-8
New York, Ontario & Western	40 1-2
Norfolk & Western	98 5-8
North American	62
Northern Pacific	115 1-4
Pacific Mail	28 3-4
Pennsylvania	128 5-8
People's Gas	104 1-2
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	96 1-8
Pittsburg Coal	17
Pressed Steel Car	30 1-2
Pullman Palace Car	159
Railway Steel Spring	31
Reading	148 1-8
Republic Steel	30 3-4
Republic Steel pfd	94
Rock Island Co.	20 7-8
Rock Island Co. pfd	61 1-4
St. L. & San Fran. 2nd pfd	37 1-2
St. Louis Southwestern	24 1-2
St. Louis Southwestern pfd	60 1-4
Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron	40
Southern Pacific	114 1-8
Southern Railway	24 7-8
Southern Railway pfd	59 3-4
Tennessee Copper	34
Texas & Pacific	25 1-2
Toledo, St. Louis & West	22
Toledo, St. Louis & West pfd	50
Union Pacific	160 3-8
Union Pacific	92
United States Realty	66
United States Rubber	34 1-4
United States Steel	72 7-8
United States Steel pfd	110 1-8
Utah Copper	46 1-8
Virginia Carolina Chemical	62
Wabash	16
Wabash pfd	33 1-2
Western Maryland	47 1-8
Westinghouse Electric	96 1-4
Western Union	71 7-8
Wheeling & Lake Erie	5

THE GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Estimates that the world wheat crop is greatly in excess of the average for the last five years, acted as a hammer today on the market here. Closing figures were at a net decline of 1-8 to 1-4c up, oats 1-8 to 1-4c off to a shade advance and provisions varying from 10c rise to 15c decline.

Wheat—No. 2 red 94 to 96; No. 3 red 93 to 95; No. 2 hard 95 to 96 3-4; No. 3 hard 94 to 96; No. 1 northern 1.06 to 1.07; No. 2 northern 1.04 to 1.06; No. 3 northern 99 to 1.04; No. 2 spring 97 to 1.00; No. 3 spring 94 to 99; velvet chaff 94 to 98; durum 88 to 92.

Corn—No. 2, 48 1-2 to 49; No. 2 white 48 1-2 to 49; No. 2 yellow 51 to 51 1-2; No. 3, 48 1-4 to 48 3-4; No. 3 new 45 to 45 1-2; No. 3 white 48 1-4 to 48 3-4; No. 3 white new 45 to 45 1-2; No. 3 yellow 50 to 50 1-2; No. 3 yellow new 45 to 46; No. 4 47 1-2 to 48; No. 4 new 43 to 43 1-4; No. 4 white 47 1-2 to 48; No. 4 white new 43 to 43 1-4; No. 4 yellow 48 1-2 to 49; No. 4 yellow new 43 1-4 to 44 1-4.

Oats—No. 2, 31 1-2; No. 2 white 33 1-2 to 33 3-4; No. 3 white 32 3-4 to 33 1-4; No. 4 white 32 to 32 1-2; standard 33 1-4 to 33 1-2.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat.				
Dec.	92¼	92¾	92½	92¼
May	96½	96¾	96¼	96¼
July	93⅝	94	93½	93½
Corn.				
Dec.	45¾	46⅜	45⅝	46
May	47⅞	48¼	47½	47⅝
July	48½	49⅛	48⅝	48⅝
Oats.				
Dec.	31⅝	32¼	31⅝	31¾
May	34⅝	34⅝	34½	34¼
July	34¼	34¼	34¼	34¼
Mess Pork, per bbl.				
Jan.	19 22½	19 40	19 05	19 20
May	18 30	18 30	18 00	18 02½
Lard, per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	10 35	10 35	10 25	10 25
May	10 15	10 15	9 97½	9 97½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.				
Jan.	10 12½	10 25	10 07½	10 17½
May	9 75	9 75	9 55	9 57½

FINAL CROP ESTIMATES.

Announced by the Department of Agriculture Yesterday.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Final estimates of the present farm crops for the country for for 1910 announced today by the Crop Reporting Board of the Department of Agriculture are as follows:

Corn, 3,215,713,000 bushels of weight from 114,002,000 acres; total farm value $1,523,968,000 or 48.3 cents per bushel.

Winter wheat 464,044,000 bushels of weight from 29,427,000 acres; total farm value $413,575,000 or 89.1 cents per bushel.

Spring wheat 231,399,000 bushels of weight from 19,778,000 acres, total farm values $207,868,000 of 89.8 cents per bushel.

All wheat 695,443,000 bushels of weight from 49,205,000 acres; total farm value $621,443,000 of 89.4 cents per bushel.

Oats 1,126,765,000 bushels of weight from 35,288,000 acres; total farm value $384,716,000 of 34.1 cents per bushel.

Tobacco 984,349,000 pounds from 1,233,800 acres; total farm value $91,459,000 or 9.3 cents per pound.

Rice 24,510,000 bushels of weight equivalent to 5,930,000 bags of 186 pounds from 722,800 acres; total farm value $16,624,000 or 67.8 cents per bushel.

Barley 162,227,000 bushels of weight from 7,257,000 acres; total farm value $93,785,000 of 57.8 cents per bushel.

Rye 33039,000 bushels in weight from 2,028,000 acres; total farm value $23,840,000 or 72.2 cents per bushel.

Buckwheat 17,239,000 bushels in weight from 826,000 acres; total farm value $11,321,000 of 65.7 cents per bushel.

Flax seed 14,116,000 bushels in weight from 2,916,000 acres; total farm value $32,554,000 or 2.306 cents per bushel.

Potatoes 338,811,000 bushels in weight from 3,591,000 acres; total farm value $187,985,000 or 55.5 cents per bushel.

Hay 60,978,000 tons from 45,691,000 acres; total farm value $747,769,000 or $12.26 per ton.

The total value of crops above specified on December 1st was $3,735,464,000 against $3,971,426,000 on December 1st last year. The average of prices was about 8.5 per cent. lower on December 1st this year than last year.

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LIVERPOOL IS BULLISH.

Advices Received on Market Yesterday—The Crop Estimate.

(Special Star Telegram.)

New York, Dec. 15.—Liverpool advices are bullish, but that market did not fully maintain the improvement probably due to the desire to realize on the basis of 8d here the same desire was in evidence throughout the session especially in January. Before the tenders and in March to take profits, large traders maintain a very bullish attitude towards the market, largely on the reported decrease in the East India crop, closely following the small estimate by the Government for the American crop. There is now, however, an active speculation as last season and whenever there is a desire to realize the market eases off as it did at the close. It is understood that the National Ginners' estimate is 10,615,000 to December 13th. The insight movement promises to be 530,000 for this week.

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LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Spot Good Business Prices Higher—Sales and Futures.

Liverpool Dec. 15.—Spot good business done, prices 4 points higher. American middling fair 8.57; good middling 8.25; middling —8.13; low middling 7.93; good ordinary 7.67; ordinary 7.42.

The sales of the day were 15,000 bales of which 3,000 were for speculation and export and incuded 13,900 American.

Receipts 22,000 including 9,500 American.

Futures opend steady and closed quiet; December 7.92 1-2; Dec. and Jan. 7.92; Jan. and Feb. 7.93; Feb. and March 7.94 1-2; March and April 7.96 1-2; April and May 7.97 1-2; May and June 7.98 1-2; June and July 7.97; July and August 7.95 1-2; August and September 7.74 1-2; Sept. and Oct. 7.37 1-2; Oct. and Nov. 7.17.

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FORECLOSURE SALE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by W. J. Reaves and wife to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, registered in Book 55, page 147, the undersigned will sell, to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, on Tuesday the 3rd day of January, 1911, at twelve o'clock, M., at the front door of the Court House in the City of Wilmington, N. C., the following described lots situate in said City, bounded as follows:

First: A lot beginning in Western line of Second street, 97 feet south of Southern line of Church street; runs thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet; thence Southwardly parallel with Second Street 35 feet; thence Eastwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet to Second street; thence with the Western line of Second Street Northwardly 35 feet to the beginning.

Second: A lot beginning in the Western line of Second Street 169 feet South of the Southern line of Church Street; runs thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 110 feet; thence Southwardly parallel with Second Street 29 feet; thence Eastwardly parallel with Church Street 110 feet to Western line of Second Street; thence Northwardly with said line 29 feet to the beginning.

Third: A lot beginning in the Western line of Second Street 231 feet South of Southern line of Church Street; runs thence Southwardly with said line of Second Street 33 feet; thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet; thence Northwardly parallel with Second Street 33 feet; thence Eastwardly 165 feet to the beginning.

WILMINGTON HOMESTEAD & LOAN ASSOCIATION.

By John D. Bellamy & Son. Attorneys.

de 3-30 d.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage made by Chas. L. Dickinson and wife Lillie W. Dickinson to Chadbourn Lumber Company, dated September 25, 1909, recorded in Book 58, at page 679 of the Records of New Hanover, the undersigned mortgagee will on the 11th day of January 1911, at the Court House door of New Hanover County, at 12 o'clock, noon, expose for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, situated in the City of Wilmington:

Beginning at a point in the western line of Second street 66 feet north of the northern line of Nun street, and runs thence along said line of Second street northwardly 66 feet, thence westwardly and parallel with Nun street 90 feet; thence southwardly and parallel with Second street 66 feet, and thence eastwardly and parallel with Nun street 90 feet to the beginning, the same being the eastern end of Lot 5 in Block 113 ,according to the official plan of said City of Wilmington.

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THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture Wecther Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 15, 1910

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M. Thursday, Dec. 15th:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 38 degrees, 8 P. M. 51 degrees; maximum 60 degrees; minimum 34 degrees; mean 47 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0; for the month, .07 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville 8 A. M., Thursday, 4.7 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina Fair and much colder Friday; Saturday fair brisk and northwest winds.

Port Calendar—December 15.

Sun Rises ....7.11 A. M.
Sun Sets ....5.05 A. M.
Day's Length ....9 hrs. 54 min.
High water at Southport..7.30 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 10.30 A.M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 15, 1910.

STATIONS.	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest Today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	24-hour precipitation, 8 P. M.
Asheville	pt cldy	46	22	.0
Atlanta	clear	48	34	.0
Charleston	clear	60	36	.0
Charlotte	clear	56	26	.0
Chicago	cloudy	38	34	0
Galveston	rain	60	54	.60
Jacksonville	cldy	64	44	.0
New Orleans	clear	66	52	.06
New York	cloudy	40	28	.0
Pittsburg	pt cldy	36	32	.0
Raleigh	clear	56	28	.0
St. Louis	clear	42	38	.0
Washington	pt cldy	48	30	.0

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Christmas Goods—R. C. DeRosset.
Tidewater Power Co.—Xmas Gifts.
Bankrupt Notice—S. P. Collier, Clerk.

Business Locals.

K. C. Sidbury—Wanted.
Schooner Blanche—Oranges.
State Normal Alumnae—Sale.
Whiteville Lumber Co.—Wanted.
E. Warren & Son—Home-Made Candies.

DRAINAGE ASSOCIATION.

Enthusiastic Meeting in Virginia—Prof. Elliott Speaks.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 15.—At an enthusiastic meeting here today, the Drainage Association of Virginia was formed with Roswell Page, of Hanover county, as president; Dr. D. W. Starbuck, as vice president; W. W. Gold, Jr., of Norfolk, as second vice president; Charles Miller, of the State Department of Agriculture, as secretary and Joseph Ives, of Norfolk, as treasurer.

The object of the organization is to secure drainage of swamp lands of the State so that they may yield crops and the association adopted a resolution providing that a Federal aid to this end be urged.

Prof. Elliott, chief of the drainage division of the Federal Department of Agriculture, addressed the association The next meeting will be held in Norfolk in January.

PART OF FINE GOES TO VICTIM

Georgian Convicted of Murderous Assault, Pays Only $600.

Lawrenceville, Ga., Dec. 15.—P. F. Staples, convicted of assault with intent to murder a man named Wages, was fined $600 or 12 months on the chain gang in the Superior Court here yesterday.

The court at first imposed both the fine and the imprisonment, but remitted the latter penalty at the request o fthe jurors on condition that $100 of the fine go to Wages. Staples paid the fine and his victim got his share.

TOOK POISON BY MISTAKE.

Weldon Minister Had a Close Call—Young Girl Passes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Weldon, N. C., Dec. 15.—Rev. P. N. Steinback took poison by mistake Tuesday night and for some time his life was despaired of but he is now recovering.

Miss Lucy Gardner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Gardner, died here yesterday after an illness of only a few days. She was fourteen years of age.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 15.—In the first aerial race for a purse ever held in the South, B. Moisant, of Chicago, was returned a winner over Rene Simon, of France, this afternoon. The race was for five miles over the old Montgomery Park race course, and was finished by Moisant in six minutes, 24 1-5 seconds. Simon's time was 8 4-5 seconds slower. Each used a Bleriot monoplane. In the contest for altitude Simon won over Rene Barrier. He went to a height of 3,200 feet, while Barrier descended from the 1,700 foot level.

Roanoke, Va., Dec. 15.—The new tax assessment for Roanoke completed today shows taxable values of $31,763,468 an increase of 50 per cent in five years. Roanoke gained 62 per cent. in the population in the last decade, the new census figures being 34,874. No new territory has been added in 20 years and the increase in both population and taxable values is the greatest of any Virginia city.

New York, Dec. 15.—Tommy Murphy, a New York light weight, fought "Pal" Moore, of Philadelphia, to a finish tonight, in a ten round bout before the Empire Athletic Club. Honors were even in the early rounds, but in the last two Murphy had Moore clinging on at the bell.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 15.—The four-masted schooner George M. Grant, of New Haven, Conn., coal laden from Newport News, is aground on Thimble Shoals in lower Chesapeake Bay. It is believed that the vessel may be floated at next high tide without serious injury.

"Look for the label" on the really, truly "Christmas Candy"—"none genuine" without the Christmas seal on the box.

THE MORSE PETITION.

Asking Pardon Presented to Department of Justice.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Charles W. Morse's petition for pardon has been formally presented to the Department of Justice. One section of the plea of the convicted New York banker came in a large express package and wos signed with the names of thousands of persons of prominence. Morse has made another petition for her husband and this has been presented to President Taft by Senator Hale. The President sent it at once to Attorney General Wickersham, turned it over to the attorney in charge of pardons.

The routine investigation which follows the application of a Federal prisoner for executive clemency will now begin. All the evidence in the case reviewed by Attorney General Wickersham, who will then make his recommendations to President Taft.

Mr. Morse's personal petition came in the form of a letter addressed to the President. In it Mrs. Morse made a simple business like plea for the release of her husband, calling the President's attention to what she said was an "immense popular interest" in his case. She declared that the general sentiment of the many thousands of people who had signed her petition was that the sentence imposed upon her husband was "outrageous" that he had no intention of wronging the National Bank of North America, that no depositor had lost a dollar and that at most he had only been found guilty of a technical violation of the National Bank laws. Her letter is generally conceded to be one of the most remarkable of its kind ever received at the Department. Approximately 50,000 names are signed to the general petition.

CONGRESS IN BRIEF.

Senator Young Speaks—Supreme Coutr Appointments.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Senator Young, of Iowa, made his maiden speech in the Senate today. He opposed the change in the rules of the two branches of Congress, introduced by his colleague, Mr. Cummins, and argued in favor of leaving the tariff alone for a while. He said that he was afraid that another revision, particularly one in which the right of weighing one interest against another would be harmful to the great agricultural interests.

The nominations of Judge Van DeVanter and Lamar for associate justices in the Supreme Court were confirmed and several hours were devoted to the consideration of the Omnibus Claims bill.

Both branches of Congress adjourned out of respect to the late Representative Joel Cook, of Philadelphia, Pa., who died today, the House being in session only a few minutes.

FOR HATTIE LeBLANC.

Girl Gets Tub Full of Mail—Aftermath of Trial.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 15.—A tub full of mail for Hattie LeBlanc, the little French Canadian girl, who was acquitted by a jury yesterday of the murder of Clarence F. Glover, was received at the Cambridge jail today. Hundreds of souvenir postcards, each bearing a message of congratulation, were in this morning's mail and an immense pile of letters. The letters included many proposals of marriage and several theatrical managers offered the girl a large salary for a stage contract. One Boston theatrical agent made an offer of $500 a week.

Melvin M. Johnson, the girl's chief counsel, was swamped by letters and telegrams of congratulation at his Boston offices today. Hattie remains at Mr. Johnson's home in Cambridge where she will be quartered until her departure within a few days for her old home in West Archat, C. B.

CLYDE LINER IN TROUBLE.

Steamship Colorado Making Slow Progress—Rough Time.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Clyde Line steamship Colorado inbound from Boston, which was reported in trouble today on the sound, passed Fire Island at 5.20 P. M., making slow time, but apparently in no need of assistance. The wireless station at Fire Island picked up a message from the Colorado to the Senator of the same line saying that the vessel was making four knots an hour. No explanation of her difficulties was given. The vessel has no cargo aboard, which probably accounts for having a rough time in a blow.

SOUTHERN SURGEONS.

Elected Officers and Chose Washington for Place of Meeting.

Nashvile, Tenn., Dec 15.—The following officers were elected by the Southern Surgical and Gynecological Association today and Washington, D. C., was selected as the next place of meeting.

Dr. Rulph Matas, New Orleans, president; Dr. Guy L. Hunner, Baltimore, vice president; Dr. W. D. Haggard, Nashville, secretary; Dr. W. S. Goldsmith, Atlanta, treasurer.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—The Erdman Act was invoked today by sixty-one Western railroads as a means of avoiding a strike threatened by engineers to enforce their demands for an increased wage schedule. A formal appeal was addressed to United States Commissioner of Labor Charles P. Neill and to Chairman Martin Knapp, of the Inter-State Commerce Comission on an act as mediators and try to effect a satisfactory settlement of wages.

Low Round-Trip Christmas Holiday Rates Via Seaboard Air Line.

Account Christmas Holidays, the Seaboard Air Line Railway announces Low Round-trip Rates from all points on its line. Rates will be on basis of 80 per cent. double the one-way fares. Tickets will be on sale December 15th to 17th inclusive, 21st to 25th inclusive, December 31st, 1910, and January 1st, 1911. Final return limit January 8th, 1911.

For full information as to rates, schedules, etc., call on your local Agent or address the undersigned.

H. S. LEARD,
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de 13-Ja 1. Raleigh, N. C.

TRAFFIC IN ORIENTALS.

Government May Uncover Schems of White Men.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 15.—That the investigations following the smuggling into San Francisco of 15 contraband Chinamen on December 4th on the steamship Manchuria, may result in the uncovering of a gigantic traffic in orientals which white men are engaged, was the statement made today by Frederick S. Stratton, collector of the port of San Francisco.

Immigration officials within the last month have turned their attention to Mexico from which, they declare, large numbers of Chinese recently have been smuggled.

Affidavits will be demanded of every member of the crew of the Manchuria regarding the smuggling of December 4th, and in the event of their failure to explain satisfactorily indictments will be sought.

ARE AGAINST AMERICANS.

Ill-Feeling in Columbia—Martial Law Declared.

Washington, Dec. 15.—There has been another eruption of ill-feeling towards Americans in Columbia according to a cablegram received at the State Department from American Minister Frazer at Bogota. He says that he has been informed by the vice consul at Cartagena that occurred there December 11, several persons were killed or wounded while many shops were sacked. These riots apparently were to protest against the sale of church property to the American Educational Union as had been projected. Martial law promptly was declared and December 12th all was quiet. In many quarters doubt was expressed whether the demonstrations was really against Americans or was caused by local religious questions.

ADMITS STEALING BALLS.

Young Man Says Others Also Make Good Living Through Theft.

Atlanta, Dec. 15.—"I am just one of several young men who make their living by stealing pool and billiard balls. Some of them make $3 and $4 a day. I know one young man who dresses well and flies high who picks up his ten pool balls every day and makes his $5, on which he lives like a prince. I don't intend to give him away, though."

Thus spoke S. H. Harwell, a young white man who pleaded guilty in police court yesterday to a charge of larceny. He acknowledged stealing five balls from one pool room and selling them to another, saying he used his money thus obtained to buy morphine. He was bound over under bond of $300.

MINERS PROBABLY PERISHED.

Cut Off From Escape by Fire in Denver Mine.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 15.—Little hope is held out for the safety of the ten miners entombed in the Leyden mine, 16 miles northwest of this city. They are prisoners as the result of a fire which spread to shaft No. 2 last night, cut off the escape of the men and destroyed the shaft and the tipple as well as other surface buildings. The government rescue car, sent from Trinidad, reached Denver this evening.

Probably no attempt will be made to send rescuers into the mine before tomorrow morning.

FIRE AT WOODRUFF, S. C.

Newspaper Swept by Fire—Loss is $30,000.

Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 15.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the plant of the Woodruff News and Herald, a semi-weekly paper published at Woodruff, this county, early this morning, telephone exchange and other business houses.

The loss is estimated at $30,000 to $35,000. The town had no ample means of fighting the conflagration. The building caught fire yesterday about noon and it was thought the flames were extinguished, but this morning they broke out anew.

GIFT OF MRS. HARRIMAN.

$100,000 to Yale Forest School—To Establish Chair.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 15.—Announcement was made here tonight by the Yale University authorities of a gift of $100,000 to the Yale Forest School by Mrs. Edward H. Harriman for estabiishing a chair in forest management in memory of her husband, the late E. H. Harriman.

The committee on the Dean Wright Memorial Dormitory announced tonight the receipt of $5,000 from Mrs. A. H. Belo, of Dallas, Texas, for a suite in the building in memory of her son, the late Alfred H. Belo, junior of the class of '96.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

Advertisements inserted under this head one cent per word for each insertion but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words, more than 25, one cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amount being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to any address in the city for advertisements in this department upon request by 'Phone to No. 51. A. D. T. Messenger will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co., or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams but a small charge for strictly A. D. T. calls or telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams, bills rendered to suit the sender, daily, weekly or monthly. For this service call Western Union, 'Phone No. 2. But for advertisements always call the Star office No. 51. Copy for Business Locals cannot be taken over the telephone but upon request Messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

WANTED—at once a six-room cottage with modern improvements. Must be centrally located. K. C. Sidbury. de 16-3t.*

THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT of the Woman's Home Mission Society of Grace M. E. Church will hold its Christmas sale of fancy articles at the residence of Mrs. W. B. Cooper, No. 207 North Fifth street, this (Friday) afternoon, beginning at 3:30 o'clock. de 16-1t.

THE STATE NORMAL Alumnae Association will hold a sale of neckwear and fancy articles at the home of Miss Lydia Yates, No. 110 North Fourth street, Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. de 16-1t.

HOME-MADE CANDIES for Christmas from 15 cents to $1.00 per pound. Why not buy pure goods. All our candies guaranteed under pure food law. E. Warren & Son. de 16-1t.

WANTED—A first-class railroad section master, must be strictly sober and thoroughly understands the work. Whiteville Lumber Co., Whiteville, N. C. de 16-3t.

ORANGES, ORANGES—Sweetest on earth, schooner Blanche lying at Springer Coal Company's wharf. $1.50 per hundred. Come early before all are gone. J. T. Albury, master. de 16-4t.

LOST DOG—Water Spaniel, black, name on collar, "Peter, Dodge No. 9." Suitable reward for return to C. D. Maffitt. de 15-2t

A. S. WINSTEAD & SON—We have 180,000 oranges, schooner arrived yesterday, offering them at $15 per thousand. Also car load of apples just arrived. Send in your orders early. 'Phone 203. de 15-10t.

TURKEYS AND VENISON—Give me your orders for venison for Friday's delivery. You'll get the best; also nice turkeys on hand. You had better get yours now or you may not get a chance Christmas. That's not all we have, come and see. Palace Market Co., 'phone 72. de 15-tf.

TURKEY SHOOT and Oyster Roast will be held at Geo. R. Smith's store (the 7-mile post) starting at 11 o'clock today. de 15-1t.

FOR SALE OR RENT—By January 1st, complete novelty plant. Address for particulars, N. K. Cashwell, Fairmont, N. C. de 14-17t

WANTED—Rooms suitable for light housekeeping by January 1st. Address "C" care the Star. d 14-2t.

DO YOU WANT to save 50 to 100 per cent. on new solid gold jewelry, bracelets, lockets, watches, chains, rings and cuff buttons. See Uncle Charles, 108 Market street, near Front. de 14-tf.

DO YOU WANT a home between Dock and Nun and Front and Sixth streets. Building new and with modern conveniences. Smith & Lord, agents, 120 Princess street. 'Phone 766. de 13-tf.

FOR SALE—a splendid farm near city. Residence and two tenant houses. Address Box 432, City. de 13-1w.

FOR PLUMBING repairs call R. T. Wells, 'phone 1531, at 503 Walnut street. nov. 24-1mo.

TO THE LADIES—Has it ever occurred to you how far a dozen of your photographs will go in remembering your friends at Christmas time. A well executed photograph is a most acceptable remembrance. We make the kend that pleases. Foltz & Kendrick, Southern Building. nov. 6-tf.

TWO LARGE NICELY furnished rooms for rent; all modern conveniences, hot and cold water, telephone. Table board if desired. Address Box 122, or 'phone 773. de 11 1w.

FOR SALE—Eight hundred acre farm, wire fenced, 300 acres in cultivation; good location to market; well watered, fine stock raising. For particulars, write F. L. Porter, Lake City, Fla. de 11 6t*

LET US FIGURE on repainting and repairing your old buggies, wagons and automobiles. We can save you money. Wilmington Carriage Works, 1103 Castle street. 'Phone 1019. oct. 23-tf.

WANTED TO BUY, residence well located, on or near car line. Seven rooms exclusive of kitchen, pantry and bath. One-story cottage preferred, with lot 60x165. Address "Home Comfort," care Star office.

FOR SALE—Ludwig upright standard piano, mahogany finish. A bargain to someone who desires a first-class instrument. Apply to Mrs. J. H. Niggel, 411 Walnut street, or call 'phone 227. nov. 15-tf.

LOW PRICES ran him crazy, but when he found where to sell Jerusalem oak seed, tongue, hides, raw furs and produce to good advantage, he immediately became sane again, when he got acquainted with C. D. Gilbert, 319 Market street. nov. 26-1m

WAKE UP! Spread out! Advertise! Multigraph imitation typewritten circulars, cheap as printing; better results. All classes typewriting and notary work. Meares Harriss, Notary Public, stenographer, 114 Princess street, 'phone 708. de 1-tu-su-thu-tf.

CALL PURE FOOD MARKET for your fresh steaks or fresh codfish, salmon, halibut, haddock and smelts. Also best fresh meats, fruits and vegetables. Prompt delivery. D. M. Davis, proprietor. 'Phone 1493. de 6-tf.

WILMINGTON SANITARIUM. Front and Castle streets, a modern institution for the treatment of medical and surgical diseases. Especially equipped for the scientific treatment of asthmatic, catarrhal, kidney, genito-urinary, rectal, tuberculosis, rheumatic and skin diseases. Massage, Turkish, vapor and hot air baths. Mrs. Eliza McDuffie, superintendent. Charles T. Harper, M. D., medical director. nov. 30-tf.

LOST—Monday on Princess street, possibly on car line, cravat with gold stickpin attached, with initials, "W. H. B." Reasonable reward if left at Star office. de 7-3t.

NEW SERIES (the 41st) of B. & L. stock open January 6th, 1911. Subscribe now. Mechanics' Home Association, Walker Taylor, president. W. M. Cumming, secretary. de 13-5t.

ATTRACTIVE home for sale in fine location. Particulars given on request. Smith & Lord, agents, 120 Princess street. 'Phone 766. de 13-tf

FOR SALE—One 80 h. p. boiler, one 60 h. p. engine. Both engine and boiler in splendid condition. Box 194, City. de 13-1w.

SMITH & LORD, insurance and real estate, 'phone 766. Call us up and if you need insurance or wish to buy or sell real estate we now have some nice dwellings in good locations for sale. de 13-tf.

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Axminster Rugs, 27x54, each $1.65
Axminster Rugs, 36x72 each $3.15
Brussell Rugs, 9x12 each $13.50
Seamless Brussell Rugs, 9x12, each $16.50
Velvet Rugs, 9x12, each.. $18.50
Seamless Velvet Rugs, 9x12, each $19.50
White Bed Spreads, good size, good quality, each..... $1.10
Lace Curtains, three yards long, per pair 75c
Portieres, full size, pair.. $2.75
Couch Covers ..... $1.50 and up
Window Shades, each..... 21c
Pictures, Mauthau 300, good frames, choice subjects.
Pictures, 16x20, 75c to.... $3.50
Pearl Pictures, each..... $1.50
Children's Arm Rocker, cane and cobbler seats,..... 65c
Ladies' Sewing Rockers... $1.15
A good Arm Rocker, cane seat, ... $1.60
Good solid seat arm Rockers, oak or mahogany finish.. $1.90
Dinner Sets, 100 pieces... $7.75
Imported China Dinner Sets, 100 pieces $13.75
Genuine Haviland, 100 pieces $23.00
Toilet Sets, decorated, large jar, ... $4.95
Rayo Lamps, each..... $1.60
Centre Tables, small, ... 65c
Medium $1.00
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Fancy Parlor Tables, quartered oak or genuine mahogany, very cheap.
Oak Dressers, 24x30, bend French mirrors $8.90
Chiffonieres from $6.50 to $50.00
Buffets and Side Boards, from $10.50 to $50.00
Iron Beds, from $2.30 to $25.00
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